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OLD TIMES.

There's a beautiful song on the slumbers air,
That drifts through the valley of dreams:
It comes from a clime where the roses were,
And a tuneful heart and bright brown hair,
That waved in the morning beams.

Soft eyes of azure and eyes of brown,
And snow-white foreheads are there;
A glimmering Cross and a glittering Crown,
A thorny bed and a couch of down,
Lost hopes and leaflets of prayer.

A rosy wreath in a dimpled hand,
A ring and a slighted vow—
Three golden links on a broken band,
A tiny track on the snow-whitesand,
A fear and a sinless brow.

There's a tincture of grief in the beautiful song
That soaks on the summer air,
And loneliness felt in the festive throng,
Sinks down in the soul as it trembles along.
From the clime where the roses are.

We heard it first at the dawn of day,
And it mingled with matin chimers;
But years have distanced the beautiful lay,
And its melody floweth far away,
And we call it now "Old Times."

A Political Reminiscence—How the Wilnot Proviso Got In.

From the N. Y. Cor. Boston Journal.

In 1847, a political club met at the corner of Eighth street and Broadway, to partake of a weekly dinner. There were present, Samuel J. Tilden, John Van Buren, John A. Kennedy, Isaac Fowler, Andrew H. Greene, and other well known New York politicians. They were the Barnburners of New York—the Free-soil Democrats—and the purpose of the club was to prohibit the extension of slavery in the Territories. Among the guests of the meeting referred to, was Mr. Howe, a Western member of Congress. His purpose in visiting New York was to get counsel from the friends of Freedom, how to head off the pro-slavery Democrats in Congress. Mr. Van Buren suggested that the protest which the friends of freedom in Congress proposed to produce was not worded right. It should be in the language of Jefferson in the famous Ordinance of '88 and '87. The protest was drawn up, using the words of Jefferson, Mr. Tilden being the chief organizer of the matter. The plan was agreed upon that the sixteen or eighteen Free-soilers in the House should each have a copy of the resolution in his pocket. Mr. Howe said that the Speaker would not give the floor to any of the friends of freedom, and in order to get the protest before the House, a ruse would have to be played. It was agreed that sixteen or eighteen should spring to the floor at once, shouting "Mr. Speaker," and it was probable that one of them would be recognized. The plan was successful. The Speaker gave the floor to Judge Wilnot, as the most moderate of the crowd claiming attention, and so the famous Wilnot Proviso was spread upon the journals of the House. Mr. Tilden went on to Congress with Mr. Howe to engineer the matter through, and by his adroitness the plan succeeded. Mr. Tilden, Mr. Waterbury, and some of the members of that club are now the bitterest Copperheads of that city, and were during the war. They are fierce in their denunciation of the "Radicals" by whose untimely meddling with slavery, the South was thrown into rebellion; yet these gentlemen themselves were originators of the agitation which sealed the doom of that "peculiar institution" of which they are the chief mourners in the North.

It will require a close study or thorough previous acquaintance with Worcester to take in the full meaning of the following extract from an obituary notice of an editor:
"After a little more than the century's noontide, living years as a social ecobite,—his hoardest age spent, in adjuration of all companionship and co-teric life—senescence whose caudacity was the greenest and most indisputable dorage—he is at last sarcophagated with the old men of past time—and we mourn him as we wait those who have gone down to their inhumation in fullness of years, and no scantiness of the honors of the calling in which he was both a Nestor and a master hand."

A famous judge came late to court one day in a busy season, whereat his clerk, in great surprise, inquired of him the reason. "A child was born," his honor said, and I'm the happy sire. "An infant judge?" "Oh, no," said he, "as yet he's but acrier."

Pittsburgh.

Pittsburgh people never have fresh air, except when out of town. They live on coal smoke and floating cinders. We inhaled seven tons of coal the first hour we were there. The people breathe smoke, eat smoke, chew smoke and carry it loose in their pockets. It is 72 years since Pittsburgh has been warmed or reached by the sun's rays. Once a streak of sunshine for several years condensing, undertook to penetrate the cloud of smoke and fell like a standing edition of the Black Crook.

The ladies use smoke and coal dust to protect their complexion. Little boys and girls stand on the corners with wet brooms and sponges to wash people's faces for five cents. Everybody is of a color in Pittsburgh. At the post office window the clerk distinguishes people by certain signs, it being impossible to see their faces for the layers of coal dust and smoke. We saw a little boy crying on the streets because he had lost his father who was six feet ahead of him in the blackness. The tears had run down the little chap's face till lost in the smoke banks, making his countenance resemble the steep mountain, adown whose sides the drove of swine promenade into the sea!

Every one wears mourning in Pittsburgh. A barber once went there to color hair and whiskers. He morn' buster in a week! Men kiss each others wives in Pittsburgh, unable to tell which is their own only by the taste. Women send children on errands, first writing on their faces with a thumb nail or wet stick. People feel their way by door knobs, and read by raised type. A man once stood in his room with the window raised—changed his shirt nine times in four minutes and only got a clean one on him when the window fell by accident and kept the smoke out. Meet a man with a cold who has been blowing his nose, and that organ looks like a burnt stump on each side of which a woodchuck had been burrowing. A workingman's face in the summer looks like a map of Africa cut in sections by streams of perspiration; or like the diagram of the Catawassa Railroad, which is so crooked the head light is placed on the rear of the train. A white man there once accused his wife of presenting him with a nigger baby—she proved her innocence of so loyal a "whose pin here" by plunging the little innocent into a cistern with a lantern tied to its neck. The husband, clasped his wife to his bosom and held her there so long in joyful embrace that the little cuss in the cistern was drowned; the lamp went out, and a boy was lost forever.

We saw a woman moved but gently to tears—her face looked like a black marsh—or the forty million year sinking fund under the bureau! Bed clothes are unknown in Pittsburgh—leave the window open and sheets of smoke settle upon you like newspapers from a machine press! Some years since some snow fell into the city through the cloud of smoke—the smoke was not hurt, but the snow looked sick! Men carry lanterns to see to shake hands. When looking at a watch to see the hour, it is the fashion to light a match. They make black broadcloth by hanging a spider's web out till filled with smoke, and use hot coal dust for black pepper. They roll the smoke, sweetened, into sticks, and sell it for liquorice!

GIRARD'S RULE FOR ADVERTISING.—Stephen Girard, than whom no shrewder business man ever lived, used to say:

"I have always considered advertising liberally and long to be the great medium of success in business, and prelude to wealth. And I have made it an invariable rule, too, to advertise in the duldest times as well as busiest, long experience having taught me that money thus spent is well laid out; as by keeping my business continually before the public, it has secured me many sales that I would otherwise have lost."

Itemizing.

Who that regularly reads the newspaper has not been struck with those many named columns into which the news of all the world is compressed? Various styled in various newspapers, they aim to grasp and focalize the news of everything and everybody, everywhere, and to present it in as small and telling a space as possible. They carry the reader in a breath from Indus to the pole, and hurry him along from sentence to sentence, to conduct him in a trice to antipodes of thought. The reader never thinks, as his eyes take their rapid journey down the column, of the care, the pains, the taste, the skill, the patience necessary to reduce those items to attractive shape. The scissors dart instinctively at a "good" item, and the brains step in and decide whether its publication would be judicious. Is the item old? Has it ever appeared before? Is it nice and fresh and crisp and sparkling? What position shall it hold with regard to the other items? Has another one on the same subject been already clipped out? Might not the phraseology be changed so as to bestow point and pith? Could a piquant joke be tagged on? Again, when the work of selection is done, and the items—personal, miscellaneous, religious, theatrical and what not—are all arranged in order, will they make a glittering and symmetric whole, over which the eye will delight to rove, like a bird from flower to flower? All these things have to be considered in attending to the "item" department of the newspaper. The tastes of every possible reader must be anticipated. Since it takes all sorts of people to make a world—a truism of profounder meaning than is generally appreciated—it takes all sorts of items to make a newspaper. The newspaper for the time is the world, and the items are the people in it, filling the columns with life and variety, furnishing infinite material for thought, and bringing close beside one another all the characters and events in this teeming world.—Mail.

The Value of a Scrap Book.

Every one who takes a newspaper which he in the least degree appreciates will often regret to see any one number thrown aside for waste paper which contains some interesting and important articles. A good way to preserve these is by the use of a scrap book. One who has never been accustomed thus to preserve short articles, can hardly estimate the pleasure it affords to sit down and turn over the pleasant, familiar pages. Here a choice piece of poetry meets the eye, which you remember you were so glad to see in the paper, but which you would long since have lost had it not been for your scrap book. There is a witty anecdote—it does you good to laugh over it yet, though for the twentieth time. Next is a valuable recipe you had almost forgotten, and which you found just in time to save much perplexity. There is a sweet little story, the memory of which has cheered and encouraged you many a time, when almost ready to despair under the pressure of life's cares and trials. Indeed, you can hardly take up a single paper without re-perusing. Just glance over the sheet before you, and see how many valuable items it contains that would be of service to you a hundred times in life. A choice thought is far more precious than a bit of glittering gold. Hoard with care the precious gems, and see at the end of the year what a rich treasure you have accumulated.

"The sound of your hammer," says Franklin, "at five in the morning or at night, heard by a creditor, makes him easy six months longer, but if he sees you at a billiard table, or hears your voice at the tavern, when you should be at work, he will send for his money the next day."

P. L. L.

The cabalistic letters are always before us, staring us in the face from lamp posts, old fences, and railroad stations. Go where we will they are still in our way, weird and mysterious. All our endeavors to find out their meaning have been unavailing. Many have been the conjectures of our acquaintances and friends as to their purport, but still we are in the dark. We have preserved a few of these guesses, and record them below as some aid to those who, like ourselves, are seeking enlightenment.

"Prohibitory Liquor Law, Protective Liquor Law, Printer's Leaded Lines, Prohibitionist's Love Law, Peter Long Legs, Poor Lazy Loon, Pony's Last Leap, Piratical Land Lubber, Particularly Lady-Like, Profound Live Lawyer, Plotting Loose Living, Pompous Lazy Lubber, Popular Lively Lecture, People Like Lager, Prim Lady Love, Progressive License Law, Purchase Lager Largely, Philosophers Live Lazy, Pettifoggers Love Litigation, Patriots Love Logrolling, Politicians' Labor Lost, People's License League, People's Liberty League, Pickled Live Lobsters, Potatoes, Large and Little, Petroleum Looks Lively, Politicians Lick 'Lasses, Patrick Loves Liquor."

We are not sure that the above list affords the true solution of the mystery, but we place it before our readers for their examination.

A Curious Point.

A curious point has arisen under the assumed probability that negroes will be elected to Congress from some of the Southern States. The point is, When does a negro, or colored man, become a citizen? This date must determine his admissibility as a Representative or Senator. The Constitution requires that, to be a member of the House, the person shall have been for seven years, and to be a Senator for nine years a citizen of the United States. Now, the citizenship of colored men in the Southern States cannot possibly antedate President Lincoln's proclamation, and probably Congress would hold that it began only upon the official certificate of the adoption of the anti-slavery amendment to the Constitution, which was promulgated on the 18th of December, 1865. Now, if the seven and nine years' probation holds good, it follows that (Congress beginning the first Monday in December) it will be 1873 before a colored Representative, and 1875 before a colored Senator, can be lawfully admitted. In view of these facts, is not the Democratic howl about negro representation a little premature? Is it not fair to suppose that before the first of these periods is completed we shall be able to reach a satisfactory arrangement on the question of representation?—New York Tribune.

The ministrations of sorrow is often that of an angel. We know her not as she stands before us—her brow veiled, her celestial form clothed in the garments of mourning. The majesty of her presence only heaven will disclose. Our hearts shrink. We would keep her from our circle. But could we see the sweetness of her glance, could we know how of our chastened tears she makes pearls to string upon the hem of our spiritual garments, how she cleanses the spotted purity of our souls, and bearing our sighs to Heaven, changes them for songs of gladness, we should no longer tremble at her name; we should not burden her ministrations with vexed sighs, but greet her with holy patience. Every time she came to us we should receive special honors, and grow beautiful daily in the sight of men and angels.

A reporter for a London paper wrote the verdict of a coroner's jury, "died from hemorrhage," and the public gained the information the next day that the deceased "died from her marriage."

"A man who'll maliciously set fire to a barn," said Mr. Slow, "and burn up twenty cows, ought to be kicked to death by a jackass, and I'd like to do it."

Romance from a Pit.

A Paris lady with an Italian title, who moves in the first society, owes all her good fortune to an accidental tumble into a pit. The story is romantic, if not creditable. Some years ago a French nobleman, hunting in the forests of Brittany, fell into one of the pits used for storing winter vegetables. Unable to get out, he remained there until a band of peasants approached, to whom he applied for assistance. They required that he should first hand out his valuables, and when he was complying with this outrageous demand, a young girl, leaning forward to take something from his hand, fell into his arms. He held her as a hostage, but the peasants fled, finding themselves outwitted. The Marquis and his companion spent three days in the pit before assistance reached them, in which time he discovered the girl was intelligent and agreeable, and when released he took her to Paris, educated her, and at his death left her a millionaire.

HIGH ART IN LOW PLACES.—There would seem to be no such thing as absolutely unskilled labor—at least in the opinion of the laborers. Two street-sweepers, for instance, were discussing the merits of a new "hand" the other day: "I say, Bill," quoth No. 1, "what d'you think of him?" "I don't much," quoth No. 2; "he's well enough for a bit uv up and down straight sweep, but when he tries the fancy dodge 'round a post he makes a poor show."—N. Y. Post.

An Editor in England occupies a very different position from what he does in this country. There, he is never known outside a select circle of acquaintances. His name is never placed at the head of the column, and his individuality is rarely or never disclosed. To see an editor of a leading paper, you must first have an appointment with him by letter, and unless the business is important, this is not easily obtained.

Fred. Douglass said, at the equal rights convention, that a few years ago the only luxury he enjoyed was a whole seat in a car. Even that luxury he didn't have now. The other night he was riding, muffled in a blanket, when somebody asked him for half his seat. He stuck out his head, and says he, "I am a nigger." "I don't care who the d—l you are; I want a seat." The people are "conquering their prejudices."

The following memorandum was picked up by one of the editorial force of the N. Y. Express:

"Skeleton skirt for wife; Godfrey's cordial for baby; No. 9 shoes for Matilda; nursing bottle No. 2; a gallon of whiskey; pink saucer and powder for Miss Jones; one Testament; borrowed of Smith \$12; send for bread and beefsteak at 12 M.; meet Julia at 5 P. M."

LEAP YEAR FOREVER.—Mrs. Oaks Smith, without distinction of time, and in utter disregard of the old Saxon Leap year law, announces: "I stand to the point, and nail my colors to the mast in defence of it—that it is right proper and delicate for a woman to choose her husband; and the man thus distinguished by her choice will feel himself ennobled and sanctified."

"Well," said a carpenter, "of all the saws I ever saw, I never saw a saw saw like that saw saws." He probably is a cousin to the man who knew his nose. He knows his nose, I know he knows his nose, he said he knew his nose; and if he said I knew he knew his nose, of course he knows I know he knows his nose.

An early spring—jumping out of bed at five o'clock in the morning. A late fall—slipping up on the pavement at eleven o'clock in the evening.

Why do Irishmen resemble the waves of the Atlantic? Because they never cease havin' the shores of the "ould country."

I need not a coquette's tears; the eyes that are always at work to fascinate don't weep, they only sweat.

THE FREE HOMESTEAD.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1868.

This paper has a larger circulation than any other paper in Fairbault County, and is the only paper in the county, which is printed entirely at home.

Republican State Convention.

The undersigned, constituting the Republican State Central Committee, do appoint that a Convention of the Republican party of Minnesota be held at St. Paul, on WEDNESDAY, the THIRTEENTH DAY OF MAY NEXT, at 12 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing eight delegates to the Republican National Convention, to be held in Chicago on Wednesday, the 20th day of May next and also to nominate four Presidential Electors.

In accordance with the call of the National Republican Committee, we invite the co-operation of all citizens who rejoice that our great civil war has happily terminated to the discomfiture of the rebellion, who would hold fast the unity and integrity of the Republic, and maintain its paramount right to defend to the uttermost its existence, whether imperiled by secret conspiracy or armed force, who are in favor of an economical administration of the public expenditures; of the complete extermination of the principles and policy of slavery, and of the speedy reorganization of those States whose governments were destroyed by the rebellion, and their permanent restoration to their proper practical relations with the Union in accordance with the true principles of Republican government.

The following apportionment of the several counties is established on the basis adopted by the last State Convention, except as to Wabasha county, which is based on the Republican vote of 1866:

Anoka.....	2	Morrison.....	1
Benton.....	1	Mower.....	1
Blue Earth.....	1	Miller.....	1
Brown.....	1	Monongalia.....	1
Carver.....	1	Nicollet.....	1
Chicago.....	1	Olus.....	1
Crow Wing.....	1	Pine.....	1
Dakota.....	1	Polk.....	1
Dodge.....	1	Ramsey.....	1
Douglas.....	1	Redwood.....	1
Fairbault.....	1	Renville.....	1
Fillmore.....	1	Rice.....	1
Freeborn.....	1	St. Louis.....	1
Goodhue.....	1	Scott.....	1
Hennepin.....	1	Sherburne.....	1
Houston.....	1	Sibley.....	1
Isanti.....	1	Stearns.....	1
Jackson.....	1	Steele.....	1
Kandiyohi.....	1	Todd.....	1
Lake.....	1	Wabasha.....	1
Le Sueur.....	1	Wadena.....	1
Lincoln.....	1	Washington.....	1
McLeod.....	1	Winona.....	1
Manitou.....	1	Worcester.....	1
Martin.....	1	Wright.....	1
Meeker.....	1		

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St. Paul, January 22, 1868.

Republican Caucus.

There will be a Caucus of the Republican Electors held at Moulton's Hall on Saturday evening April 4th, for the purpose of nominating Town Officers to be supported at the coming town election. A general attendance is requested.

By order of the Central Committee.
J. H. WELCH, Chairman.
E. H. HUTCHINS,
JAMES GRAYS.

Impeachment in the Senate.

The following is the vote in the United States Senate in secret session, on Tuesday last, on the motion of Mr. Morrill, of Maine, to have the trial of President Johnson on the 30th of March, instead of April 2, as proposed by Mr. Johnson, of Maryland:

Yeas—Messrs. Cameron, Cattell, Chandler, Conkling, Conness, Cragin, Drake, Ferry, Harlan, Howard, Howe, Morgan, Morrill of Me., Morrill of Vt., Morton, Nye, Patterson of N. H., Pomeroy, Ramsey, Ross, Stewart, Sumner, Thayer, Tipton, Willey, Willson, Williams—28.

Nays—Messrs. Anthony, Bayard, Buckalew, Corbett, Davis, Dixon, Doolittle, Edmunds, Fessenden, Fowler, Frelinghuysen, Grimes, Henderson, Hendricks, Johnson, McCreery, Norton, Patterson of Tenn., Sherman, Sprague, Trumbull, Van Winkle, Vickers—24.

A Washington correspondent of the Chicago Evening Journal says the President and his counsel are thoroughly disgusted with the character of the replication of the Managers on the part of the House. They denounced it as a gross insult to them, and say it is no reply at all to the President's answer to the articles of impeachment.

The hopes which were entertained and openly expressed some days ago by the President's friends of his acquittal by the Senate, seem to be abandoned. They now assert that he will not have a fair trial, and that the manner in which the Managers have replied to his answer shows that he is not even to be treated with ordinary respect.

The steamer Magnolia exploded her boilers on the 18th inst. 12 miles above Cincinnati. She had 120 passengers, and a crew of 40. Fifty-seven persons are known to have been saved. The scene at the time of the explosion was terrible. Some were blown high in the air; others were thrown into the river, where they struggled to keep from drowning, and many lay scattered here and there on the wreck, horribly mangled, scalded and burning to death. Many were rescued in small boats. Several, after they were taken into the skiffs, being so badly burned and scalded, could not endure the pain, and jumped into the river and were drowned.

Twenty-four stores and shops in La Crosse, were burned on the 24th ult. Loss about \$40,000.

Rebel News Extraordinary.

The following "extra" was published from the office of the Houston (Texas) Telegraph, upon the receipt of the intelligence of the impeachment of Andrew Johnson; and an agent of the Freedman's Bureau in that State, says was widely distributed among the people of the country, producing great excitement. It is added that "only the most intelligent part of the community, who are few indeed, believed it to be a canard." It is strikingly illustrative of the spirit which has been fostered under the rule of Gen. Hancock, and by the policy of the President of that State:—*St. Paul Press.*

HOUSTON TELEGRAPH—EXTRA.

TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 26, 1868.
War! war! war!!!—The President Impeached!—The First Gun Fired!—Thirteen Women Killed!—Thirty-seven Wounded!—Andrew Johnson a Prisoner!—General Thomas Killed!—Stanton's Leg Broken!—War Department Burned!—Sherman with the President!—Grant Declares Himself Dictator!—Secretary Seward Resigned!—General War Inevitable! etc. etc.

[Our Special Dispatches.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—5 1/2 A. M.—On the twenty-third instant, which closed at twenty minutes past three o'clock this morning, the House majority for impeachment was sixty-four.

At 5 o'clock Gen. Grant ordered Col. Carr, of Emory's staff, to arrest Gen. Thomas, which order was immediately carried into effect.

President Johnson, at sunrise, called on the military and citizens to assist in the recapture of Gen. Thomas.

On the first charge Gen. Thomas was killed; and on the second, the President was captured.

The War Department was burned to the ground.

Three women—Sisters of Charity—were killed by the soldiers.

Thirteen persons were killed, five of whom were mercenaries.

Secretary Stanton's leg was broken by the falling of his horse, in an effort to make his escape from the city.

Gen. Grant has declared himself military dictator, and has established his headquarters on Pennsylvania avenue. The capitol and all public buildings are closed.

All newspaper offices, save the *Ex-press*, have been suspended.

Sherman calls for three hundred thousand ninety days troops. He has espoused the cause of the President—ordered Gen. Hancock to take command of the Department south of the Ohio river, and pledged himself to stand by the Constitution and the Union.

Secretary Seward sent in his resignation yesterday evening—says he will stand or fall with the President and the Constitution.

The greatest excitement prevails.

Gen. Grant has ordered the city of New York to be placed under martial law.

A Characteristic Anecdote of Andy.

Judge Gentry relates the following. It sounds very like truth:

The scene opens with A. J. as a member of the petit jury in the insignificant town of Greenville. The case before the court was simply a neighborhood row, in which Bill Shelly had an eye gouged out and one ear ground off by one Dave McCann, a noted bruiser of the rough and tumble sort, common in those days. The case was free from anything like obscurity. The unprovoked assault and the previous bad character of the defendant were so clearly proven that all supposed the jury would find a verdict without leaving the court room, which would rid the community of a public pest for some time. Eleven members of that body so determined. That the twelfth failed to see it in that light, it is only necessary to add that "A. J." was the upon whom all the eloquence of the Prosecuting Attorney, the straightforward testimony of the witnesses, the charge of the Court and the unanimous findings of eleven jurors went for naught.

Upon return of the jury, after two days, without a decision, the Judge made the customary inquiry as to whether it was a question of law or of fact upon which they failed to agree, remarking at the same time that the case appeared remarkably clear, etc. "That's just so, your Honor," says the refractory Andy (pointing his finger scornfully at his fellow jurors), "but, Judge, there stands 11 of the stubbornest men in all Tennessee; and I for one, give up trying to convince them of anything."

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In regard to the deceased Josephine, the article in the Blue Earth City paper is correct as shown by the evidence as regards the statement of the said Fellows, that Mrs. Price was desirous of showing any justification of her bad treatment toward the said Josephine. I would say that it is pronounced by the jury to be a willful and malicious lie.

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A Fulton (Mo.) pastor recently opened services by reading, with no word of explanation or comment, a very full and correct local price current—how much flour, butter, meat, lard, eggs, etc., were worth; and the price of shoes, cloth, prints and muslins. The congregation responded with a liberal donation.

A Mrs. Sarah Randall, who died lately in England, has been a servant in the household of George Third, George Fourth, William Fourth, and Queen Adelaide. In her old age she was taken care of by Queen Victoria.

B. Van Alstyne, the managing officer of the P. R. Westfall Bank of Lyons, N. Y., is a defaulter in the sum of \$150,000. Another victim of "Erie."

The bill amendatory of the judiciary act was passed in the United States Senate on the 26th ult. over the President's veto, 32 to 9.

A schoolboy in Baltimore the other day committed suicide by hanging himself in a privy, because he had been committing a misdemeanor and feared to be punished.

Josh Billings on Bad Bugs.

I never see ennybody yet but what despised bad bugs. They are the meanest ov awl crawling, creeping, hopping or biting things.

They dassent take a man by dalite, but sneek in after dark, and claw him while he is fast asleep.

A musketo will fite you in broad dalite, at short range, and give you a chance tew knock at his sides—the flea is a game bug, and will make a dash at you even in Broadway—but the bed bug is a garrotor, who waits till you strip, and then picks out a mellow place to eat you.

If I was ever in the habit of swearing, I would not hesitate tew damn a bed bug rite tew his face.

Bed bugs are uncommon smart in a small way—one pair of them will stock a hair mattress in 2 weeks with bugs enuff tew last a small family a whole year.

It don't do enny good tew pray when bed bugs are in season; the only way to get rid of them is tew bile up the whole bed in aquarferis, and then heave it away and buy a new one.

Bed bugs when they have grown aul they intend to, are about the size ov a blue jay's eye, and have a brown complexion, and when they start out to garrote they are ez flat ez a greese pot, but when they git thru garrotting are swelled up like a blister.

It takes them three days to get the swelling out of them.

If bed bugs hev enny destiny to fill, it must be their stummucks, but it seems to me that they must have been made by aksident, just ez silvers are, to stick into somebody.

If they wuz got up for some wize purpose, they must hev took the wrong, for there kant be enny wisdom in ehawing a man all nite long and raisin a family besides, tew toller the same trade.

If there ez some wisdom in aul this, I hope the bugs will chaw them folks who can see it, and let me be, because I am one of the hereticks.

Chicago is to have a new daily paper.

Bismarck is the best shot in Germany.

Light silks will be fashionable this spring.

The Louisville bridge will cost \$1,600,000.

Cleveland is making iron for the Pacific Railroad.

J. S. C. Abbott is writing a life of General Grant.

Gambling is frightfully on the increase in Paris.

Nahant, Mass., has neither minister, lawyer nor doctor.

Small pox is raging in the Rhode Island state prison.

Tobacco smoking is steadily on the increase in England.

California has had the severest winter known for six years.

Mrs. Stowe has 114 orange trees on her Florida plantation.

Dickens will sail for England in the Cuba, on the 22d of April.

Edward A. Pollard is to become one of the editors of the World.

Mrs. Partington—P. B. Shilaberr—has recovered from the gout.

The Governor of New York has decided to pardon young Ketchum.

Walt Whitman is about to inflict a collection of his poems on the public.

Thirty thousand letters are distributed in Salt Lake post office every week.

There is but one good harbor, Fernandina, on the Atlantic coast of Florida.

The Astor estate is valued, by one who professes to know, at about \$144,000,000.

Grape and wine culture are expected to become a leading interest in Virginia.

A widow of twenty-two has just married her third husband in Worcester, Mass.

A new volcano has been discovered in the moon—inaccessible to tourists at present.

Why is a newspaper like a wife?—Because every man ought to have one of his own.

One county in Arkansas, Johnson, has had twenty-four murders since the close of war.

Nearly all the London theaters are now occupied by celebrated preachers on the Sundays.

The Prince of Wales shocked his kingdom's church by going hunting on Ash Wednesday.

Horace Greeley is to preside at the Dickens dinner, on the 18th proximo. Bennett declined.

The editor of a paper in Indiana wants to know if Western whiskey was ever seen coming thro' the rye.

Punch prints the following, by a fashionable young married woman: "The latest thing out—my husband!"

The resignation of Cassius M. Clay, as minister to Russia, has been formally accepted by the administration.

Gen. Grant, by order of the President, has detailed Gen. Halleck to succeed Hancock at New Orleans.

A letter was dropped into an Indiana postoffice recently, addressed to "Mr. Coldfacts, the Senator of Congress."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Settle Up!

ALL persons indebted to the late firm of Abbott & Welch are requested to call immediately and settle the same. We are in need of money and the business must be settled up without delay. "A word to the wise," &c.

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NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons intending to teach in the County of Fairbault the ensuing year that the public examination of Teachers will be held in the several Commissioner Districts of said county as follows, to wit:—

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Teachers will come provided with the National Fifth Reader, Robinson's Practical Arithmetic, pencils and paper, and be present at the commencement of the examination and remain until the close.

N. B. No Certificate will be granted to any parties except upon satisfactory evidence of inability to attend the Public Examination.

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Republican State Convention.

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In accordance with the call of the National Republican Committee, we invite the co-operation of all citizens who believe in the restoration of the Union, and who would hold fast the unity and integrity of the Republic, and maintain its paramount right to defend to the utmost its existence, whether imperiled by secession, conspiracy or armed force; who are in favor of an economical administration of the public expenditures; of the complete extinction of the principles and policy of slavery, and of the speedy reorganization of those States whose governments were destroyed by the rebellion, and their permanent restoration to their proper position as States of the Union in accordance with the true principles of Republican government.

The following appointment of the several counties is established on the basis adopted by the last State Convention, except as to Wabasha county, which is based on the Republican vote of 1866:

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Benton.....	1	Mower.....	1
Blue Earth.....	6	Mille Lac.....	1
Brown.....	2	Monongalia.....	1
Carver.....	2	Nicollet.....	1
Chicago.....	2	Olmitz.....	1
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Impeachment in the Senate.

The following is the vote in the United States Senate in secret session, on Tuesday last, on the motion of Mr. Morrill, of Maine, to have the trial of President Johnson on the 30th of March, instead of April 2, as proposed by Mr. Johnson, of Maryland:

YEAS—Messrs. Cameron, Cattell, Chandler, Conkling, Conness, Cragin, Drake, Ferry, Harlan, Howard, Howe, Morgan, Morrill of Me., Morrill of Vt., Morton, Nye, Patterson of N. H., Pomerooy, Ramsey, Ross, Stewart, Sumner, Thayer, Tipton, Willey, Williams—25.

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A Washington correspondent of the Chicago Evening Journal says the President and his counsel are thoroughly disgusted with the character of the replication of the Managers on the part of the House. They denounced it as a gross insult to them, and say it is no reply at all to the President's answer to the articles of impeachment.

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Twenty-four stores and shops in La Crosse, were burned on the 24th ult. Loss about \$60,000.

Rebel News Extraordinary.

The following "extra" was published from the office of the Houston (Texas) Telegraph, upon the receipt of the intelligence of the impeachment of Andrew Johnson; and an agent of the Freedman's Bureau in that State, says was widely distributed among the people of the country, producing great excitement. It is added that "only the most intelligent part of the community, who are few indeed, believed it to be a canard." It is strikingly illustrative of the spirit which has been fostered under the rule of Gen. Hancock, and by the policy of the President of that State:—*St. Paul Press.*

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[Our Special Dispatches.]
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The said Fellows states that the Commissioner furnished one Mrs. Price (pauper) with lather flour &c. &c., which is a base falsehood. The Commissioner did furnish said pauper with some flour such as he, the Commissioner, was using in his own house, and the said pauper applied for more without saying anything regarding the quality of the flour that she had previously used. But, Mr. Editor, the trouble is not in the bad flour. The pay of said pauper has recently, and for good reasons, been stopped. And the said Fellows being a personal enemy of the Commissioner, has taken this course to do personal injury. The Price family, (paupers) have in their possession half a section of land, a very good pair of horses, harness, wagon, one cow, &c., and it has been proposed by the Commissioner to sell one quarter section. Thus leaving them 160 acres as a homestead, but it would seem as though they prefer to be kept by the county and wait for the rise of land, and the said Fellows has the audacity to encourage the same.

In regard to the deceased Josephene, the article in the Blue Earth City paper is correct as shown by the evidence as regards the statement of the said Fellows, that Mrs. Price was desirous of showing any justification of her bad treatment toward the said Josephene. I would say that it is pronounced by the jury to be a willful and malicious lie.

I am, respectfully yours,

W. J. ROBINSON,

Co. Com. 3d Dist.

WALNUT LAKE, March 25th 1868.

ED. FREE HOMESTEAD:—

We, the undersigned citizens of Walnut Lake, having noticed in your paper of the 11th inst., an article over the signature of one Dr. T. S. Fellows, whose reputation for veracity and manly principles is far below par in his own neighborhood, but knowing the extensive circulation your paper has, we wish through its columns to say that we believe said article to be a base fabrication, and conceived through selfish motives, and to do personal injury:

H. C. LEWIS, Notary Public,
J. L. PEABODY, Justice of the Peace,
W. W. WHITE, Town Clerk,
FRANCIS F. HILL, Town Treasurer,
O. P. ROBBINS, Constable,
W. J. ROBINSON, Chm. Board Sup.,
G. E. MORGAN, Supervisor.

A Fulton (Mo.) pastor recently opened services by reading, with no word of explanation or comment, a very full and correct local price current—how much flour, butter, meat, lard, eggs, etc., were worth; and the price of shoes, cloth, prints and muslins. The congregation responded with a liberal donation.

A Mrs. Sarah Randall, who died lately in England, has been a servant in the household of George Third, George Fourth, William Fourth, and Queen Adelaide. In her old age she was taken care of by Queen Victoria.

B. Van Alstyne, the managing officer of the P. R. Westfall Bank of Lyons, N. Y., is a defaulter in the sum of \$150,000. Another victim of "Eric."

The bill amendatory of the judiciary act was passed in the United States Senate on the 26th ult. over the President's veto, 32 to 9.

A schoolboy in Baltimore the other day committed suicide by hanging himself in a privy, because he had been committing a misdemeanor and feared to be punished.

Josh Billings on Bed Bugs.

I never see anybody yet but what despised bed bugs. They are the meanest or awl crawling, creeping, hopping or biting things.

They dassent take a man by dalite, but sneek in after dark, and chaw him while he is fast asleep.

A musketo will fite you in broad dalite, at short range, and give you a chance tew knock at his sides—the flea is a game bug, and will make a dash at you even in Broadway—but the bed bug is a gerroter, who waits till you strip, and then picks out a mellow place to eat you.

If I was ever in the habit of swearing, I would not hesitate tew dam a bed bug rite tew his face.

Bed bugs are uncommon smart in a small way—one pair of them will stock a hair mattress in 2 weeks with bugs enuff tew last a small family a whole year.

It don't do enny good tew pray when bed bugs are in season; the only way to get rid of them is tew bile up the whole bed in aquarferitis, and then heave it away and buy a new one.

Bed bugs when they have grown aul they intend to, are about the size ov-a blue jay's eye, and have a brown complexion, and when they start out to garrote they are ez flat ez a greese pot, but when they git thra garroting are swelled up like a blister.

It takes them three days to get the swelling out of them.

If bed bugs hev enny destiny to fill, it must be their stummnicks, but it seems to me that they must have been made by aksidick, just ez slivvers are, to stick into somebody.

If they wuz got up for some wize purpose, they must hev took the wrong, for there kant be enny wisdom in chawing a man all nite long and raisin a family besides, tew foller the same trade.

If there ez some wisdom in aul this, I hope the bugs will chaw them folks who can see it, and let me be, because I am one of the hereticks.

Chicago is to have a new daily paper.

Bismarck is the best shot in Gormany.

Light silks will be fashionable this spring.

The Louisville bridge will cost \$1,600,000.

Cleveland is making iron for the Pacific Railroad.

J. S. C. Abbott is writing a life of General Grant.

Gambling is frightfully on the increase in Paris.

Nahant, Mass., has neither minister, lawyer nor doctor.

Small pox is raging in the Rhode Island state prison.

Tobacco smoking is steadily on the increase in England.

California has had the severest winter known for six years.

Mrs. Stowe has 114 orange trees on her Florida plantation.

Dickens will sail for England in the Cuba, on the 22d of April.

Edward A. Pollard is to become one of the editors of the World.

Mrs. Partington—P. B. Shilaber—has recovered from the gout.

The Governor of New York has decided to pardon young Ketchum.

Walt Whitman is about to inflict a collection of his poems on the public.

Thirty thousand letters are distributed in Salt Lake post office every week.

There is but one good harbor, Fernandina, on the Atlantic coast of Florida.

The Astor estate is valued, by one who professes to know, at about \$144,000,000.

Grape and wine culture are expected to become a leading interest in Virginia.

A widow of twenty-two has just married her third husband in Worcester, Mass.

A new volcano has been discovered in the moon—inaccessible to tourists at present.

Why is a newspaper like a wife?—Because every man ought to have one of his own.

One county in Arkansas, Johnson, has had twenty-four murders since the close of war.

Nearly all the London theaters are now occupied by celebrated preachers on the Sundays.

The Prince of Wales shocked his kingdom's church by going hunting on Ash Wednesday.

Horace Greeley is to preside at the Dickens dinner, on the 18th proximo. Bennett declined.

The editor of a paper in Indiana wants to know if Western whiskey was ever seen coming thro' the rye.

Punch prints the following, by a fashionable young married woman: "The latest thing out—my husband!"

The resignation of Cassius M. Clay, as minister to Russia, has been formally accepted by the administration.

Gen. Grant, by order of the President, has detailed Gen. Halleck to succeed Hancock at New Orleans.

A letter was dropped into an Indiana postoffice recently, addressed to "Mr. Coldfacts, the Senator of Congress."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Settle Up!

ALL persons indebted to the late firm of Abbott & Welch are requested to call immediately and settle the same. We are in need of money and the business must be settled up without delay. "A word to the wise," &c.

ABBOTT & WELCH.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons intending to teach in the County of Faribault the ensuing year that the public examination of Teachers will be held in the several Commissioner Districts of said county as follows, to wit:—

Cow, Dist. No. 1.—At the More school house in Pilot Grove, April 8th.

2. At the school house in Blue Earth City, April 9th and 10th.

3. At the school house in Walnut Lake, 15th and 16th.

4. At the school house in Winnebago City, 13th and 14th.

5. At the school house in Minnesota Lake, 17th and 18th.

The examinations will be conducted by written and oral questions and answers. A portion of the time will be occupied in giving Normal Instruction to the applicants.

Teachers will come provided with the National Fifth Reader, Robinson's Practical Arithmetic, pencils and paper, and be present at the commencement of the examination and remain until the close.

N. B. No Certificate will be granted to any parties except upon satisfactory evidence of inability to attend the Public Examination.

A. H. PELSEY,

County Superintendent of Schools.

NEW SPRING GOODS!

GO TO

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FOR YOUR

Dry Goods, Groceries, Clothing,

Hats, Caps, Shoes,

Fancy and Staple Goods.

They always keep a large stock of superior goods—selected with great care—and having just received a new assortment of

Prints, Delains, Sheetings, Merinos,

and other dress goods, in addition to several cases of

BOOTS & SHOES,

would respectfully solicit the attention of the public. They also have on hand a big stock of

HOOP SKIRTS,

from the "Odessa Skirt Company," which are unsurpassed by any other Hoop Skirt in use, as regards Durability, Comfort and Style. Also a large assortment of

Groceries, Pork, Hams, BUTTER,

Lard, Wheat, Corn, POTATOES,

Onions, Flour, Meal, &c., &c.

ALSO EVERY DESCRIPTION OF

Crockery, Glassware, Looking-glasses, Lamps, Lanterns, Machine and Kerosene Oil, Sugar Buckets and Boxes,

And in fact everything usually kept in a first-class store.

THE FREE HOMESTEAD.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1868.

APRIL.

Borne to us on icy winds,
Set charming half their chill away,
Weeping, laughing April fade
The season sad, but leaves it gay.
Child of black and blustering gales,
Wed with amorous vernal heats,
Half the time her frown prevails,
Half, her smile she still repeats.
While the sun's softening rays
Tell us of his glad return,
She decks with flowers the lengthening days,
And lays a wreath on Winter's urn.
Welcome! with thy gifts of Spring,
Fickle though thy mood may be;
Whether floods or buds thou bring,
April, still we welcome thee!

An extensive assortment of Powder and Shot is kept at
WILSON'S

Twenty-five bushels of early June Potatoes, for sale by
S. RICHARDSON.

"HOUSEWIVES FAVORITE."—Such has the *Best Chemical Saleratus* proved itself. Being always full weight, and the very best quality.

Post Master Cottrell has resigned in favor of E. H. Hutchins, and the latter gentleman having already received his papers, and taken lessons in *boating*, will formally possess himself of the office this April Fool day.

Dentist Pierce is now in Blue Earth City, and writes that he will be here in about ten days. We have waited long for his coming, but have faith that we shall announce his arrival some time during the present month.

Southern Minnesotians are enjoying the most delightful weather imaginable. Much wheat is being sown, and many gardens are already planted. The ferry boats are not needed, the mud in the roads has mostly disappeared, and in many places they are quite dusty.

SHRETTING PAPER.—Averil, Seacombe & Co., proprietors of the St. Anthony Paper Mills, are now manufacturing their celebrated Shredding paper, with improvements over that heretofore made, being two ply and stronger, than any ever made before. To those who have for the past two years, tested the value of this paper, upon houses, stores &c., no more relating to its merits need be said. But to all who have never used, or become familiar with it, we would say, its cost can be saved in the expenditure of fuel, in ordinary cases, every month in a cold winter.

This paper is not intended to shed rain, though the wet does not produce the least injury, when used. But by its closeness of texture, it is impervious to air, and being also a non-conductor of heat, aids greatly in keeping the warm air inside. It can be used upon studding, beneath clapboards or the covering, as well as upon sheeting boards. This is no humbug! A general and extensive use throughout the State, calling forth innumerable statements in its praise, precludes the possibility of doubt. Its expense too, is so small, that every man, however cheaply he may be obliged to build, can readily obtain it. It is manufactured in rolls one yard wide, one and two-ply, as may be required, and will cost the builder, from three to six cents per square yard, according to thickness desired. It is for sale by Ira S. Smith, Murphy, & Co., Mankato Minn., and all particulars will be promptly answered by application to the undersigned at their Stationary and Paper Warehouse, Mankato Minn.

IRA S. SMITH, MURPHY, & Co.
FAIRMONT, March 16th, 1868.
From Our Regular Correspondent.

ED. FREE HOMESTEAD.
I am furnished with a marriage notice that I give below, together with the marriage ceremony in full, as a sample of the way they do things in a new country, when all concerned are in a hurry to put in their crops.

Married on the 22d inst., at the residence of Rev. W. Thomas, in Elm Creek, by S. D. Haskins, Justice of the Peace, Cyrus H. Reed to Mary Soper, both Elm Creek, Martin County. At the beginning of the ceremony the Justice said, "If any present object, to this couple being made man and wife let them manifest it by the usual sign." No objection being made, he then continued, "If you have been acquainted with each other long enough to be satisfied that you want to get married, stand up and take hold of hands." The parties standing as directed, the Justice concluded, "I now pronounce you man and wife. Fee, \$3.50."

The newly married pair then went on their way rejoicing, realizing that there is one great advantage living here in the west, viz: the marriage ceremony may be abridged to suit customers.

Our farmers are getting their crops in in good shape. Seegar, Andrews, Bartholomew, Richardson, and others in this vicinity, have sowed their wheat. Seed wheat is plenty at \$1.50 per bushel, oats at 80 cents, corn \$1.00, and potatoes 75 cents.

Trade at the stores is quite brisk. Our merchants seem to feel much encouraged. Already immigration is coming in. The prospect is fair for a large addition to our population the coming summer. A large per cent, at least 90—of our people are American, yet occasionally we have specimens from foreign lands. A few days ago I was lounging in Ward's store, when a wild Irishman came in and said, "I say, Mister stoar keeper, have ye liver an empty barrill of flour that ye will lind me to make a hen 'house for me dog?"

MARCH 30.—Col. Lounsbury moved into his new house on Tuesday last. Mrs. Mary T. Smith has received her back pension amounting to \$470.

The fishing is now good at Fairmont. Pickerel is the kind being caught. The ice is not all out of the lakes yet, but our farmers were ploughing last week.

The grist mills in this county are doing good service. Swarngen has put an addition to his.

A. L. Ward will have his office completed (enclosed) by the first of May. The "Mush Rat Herald"—Colonel Lounsbury's new paper—will be issued on the 11th of April.

Martin County currency—smoked buffalo, and rat skins—are at a premium. Mrs. Edwards' stock is at a discount—none in market however.

I am, sir,
Very truly yours,
E. T.

Literary Notices.

The Diamond Dickens.

BARNABY RUDGE, AND HARD TIMES.—The tenth of the "Diamond" series of Dickens, by Tieknor and Fields, comprises *Barnaby Rudge* and *Hard Times* within the same covers, the former having ten of Tytling's illustrations, and the latter six, all of which are most happy, making the usual complement of drawings to a volume of this edition. We can add nothing to what we have already said in praise of this work, but urge it upon all persons of moderate means, equally with those of tasteful preference, as happily combining their wishes.—*Boston Commonwealth.*

The cost of each volume of the beautiful Illustrated Diamond Dickens is only \$1.50; plain edition, \$1.25. It can be procured of any bookseller, or will be sent postpaid by the Publishers, Ticknor and Fields, Boston.

The ATLANTIC MONTHLY for April contains a Plea for the Afternoon; The Wreck of the *Poconchos*; *Spenser*; *Lagos Bar*; I; By-Ways of Europe; IV; Once More; Our Roman Catholic Brethren; The Poison of the Rattlesnake; A Most Extraordinary Case; Doctor Molke's Friends, III.; Free Missouri, II.; April; Art; Reviews and Literary Notices. Boston, Ticknor and Fields.

A beautiful and pathetic steel engraving "Caught by the Tide" is the leading embellishment in the April number of the *Lady's Friend*. It is a story in itself. This is followed by the usually refined and elegant double steel Fashion Plate. "The Day after the Failure" is a touching picture. The literary contents are as good as ever. Deacon and Peterson, 319 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. Sample copies 15 cents.

THE LITTLE CHIEF.—This monthly visitor to the School-room and Home-circle has arrived. Parents will find this publication one of the very best as well as one of the cheapest published in the United States. It aims to amuse, and at the same time instruct the little ones. This feature alone should insure it a place in every household where there are children. Specimen copies with Agents circular, 10 cents; per year, 75 cents. Dowling and Shortridge, Publishers, Indianapolis, Indiana.

The April number of the *Public Spirit*, practically commences a new enterprise—so improved it is since the close of the second volume. In fact, as an examination will show, this number is really original and entertaining. It contains an original story by R. H. Stoddard, a history of Gen. Grant's Campaign in West Tennessee, an essay on American Fine-Art, and minor articles entitled "Impaching a President," "Architecture in America," and fresh and independent Editorial Notes. Price only 25 cents a number. Address, *Public Spirit*, 37 Park Row, New York.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE for April contains the following: Among the Andes of Peru and Bolivia; Young Agassiz; Personal Recollections of the War; Di Chaillo, Gorrillas, and Cannibals; Sheffield—A Battle-field of English Labor; Miss Polk's Last; Cotton for Dress; Sweet Salome; Miss Sue and Mr. William; The Spirit of the Waterfall; The Woman's Kingdom, a love story, by the author of "John Halifax, Gentleman"; The Golden Plover; English Photographs by an American; Congress and the Supreme Court; Editor's Easy Chair; Monthly Record of Current Events; Editor's Drawer, &c., &c.

By means of a change in the type, an enlargement of the page, and an increased number of pages, THE GALAXY will hereafter be made to contain fully fifty per cent. more reading matter than heretofore. It will be the largest Magazine (with one exception) published in the country, each number containing an amount of reading

matter equal to most 12mo. volumes sold at \$2. The April number contains Stephen Lawrence, Yeoman, by Mrs. Edwards, (with an illustration by Gaston Fay); Before Genius; Parting in Hope; The Fight at Fisher's Hill; Woman and the Weed; The Lowlands of the Mississippi; From May till Martindale; The Slaughtered Frenchman; The Three Branches of our Government; Words and their Uses; The Castigator; Magazine Making, and Nebula.

Price \$4 a year, 30 cents a number; Two copies \$7; To Clergymen and Teachers the price will be \$3 a year. Subscriptions should be addressed to Sheldon and Company, 498 and 500 Broadway, New York.

MARKET REPORTS.

Winnebago City Market.
Corrected Weekly by Moulton & Deaton.

Wheat, spring, No. 1	\$1.30
Do. No. 2	1.20
Corn, No. 1	.60
Do. No. 2	.55
Oats, No. 1	.45
Do. No. 2	.40
Flour, 30 lbs. cwt.	4.00
Corn Meal, 30 lbs. cwt.	3.50
Potatoes, No. 1	.75
Butter, No. 1	.25
Eggs, No. 1	.15
Beans, No. 1	.10
Cheese, No. 1	.10
Lard, No. 1	.10
Pork, 30 lbs. cwt.	18.20
Do. 15 lbs. cwt.	12.50
Beef, 30 lbs. cwt.	10.10
Do. 15 lbs. cwt.	6.20
Kerosene Oil, 30 lbs. cwt.	6.20
Salt, No. 1	.20
Lard, No. 1	.20

Waseca Lumber Market.

Common Boards, 1st quality, per M.	\$24.00
Fencing, 20 ft. long, 2 in. wide, 1/2 in. thick, per 1000	23.00
Stock Boards, 1st quality, per M.	27.00
Yarns Box Boards, 1st quality, per M.	30.00
Shingles, No. 1, per 1000	20.00

JOIST AND DIMENSIONS.

15 feet and 2 in.	26.00
24, 18 feet and under.	24.00
24, 10 and 26 feet.	25.00

FLOORING.

1st common, dressed and matched.	\$40.00
2d " " " "	35.00
1st dressed.	35.00
2d " " " "	30.00

CLARK STUFF.

1st clear, 11, 11 and 2 in.	\$60.00
2d clear, 11, 11 and 2 in.	45.00

LATH AND PICKETS.

Lath, No. 1, 1/2 in. wide, 1/2 in. thick.	\$4.75
Pickets, flat, 1/2 in. wide, 1/2 in. thick.	25.00
" square, 1/2 in. wide, 1/2 in. thick.	25.00

SHINGLES.

Shingles, No. 1, per 1000	\$5.25
Shingles, No. 2, per 1000	3.50

Waseca Produce Market.

Wheat, per bushel, No. 1	\$1.55
Do. " " No. 2	1.45
Oats, " " " "	.55
Corn, " " " "	.60
Potatoes, No. 1, per bushel	.75
Do. No. 2, " " "	.70
Butter, 30 lbs. cwt.	16.00
Eggs, 30 lbs. cwt.	12.00
Flour, 30 lbs. cwt.	4.00
Beans, 30 lbs. cwt.	1.25
Do. No. 2, " " "	1.20

MORTGAGE SALE.—Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage executed on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1866, by Galliton, Brown and Rebecca L. Brown his wife, to Henry Pratt of the County of Martin, State of New York; and which was duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of the County of Martin in the State of Minnesota, at 3 o'clock P. M., in book C of Deeds on pages 312, 313, 314. And which mortgage was given to secure the payment of the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars, according to the conditions of a certain promissory note executed by said Galliton Brown to said Henry Pratt on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1866, and drawing interest at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, from date. And whereas said mortgage was duly foreclosed, and the sale thereof was made on the 15th day of March, A. D. 1868, and drawing interest at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, from date, and is actually due on said note and mortgage, and the date of this notice, the sum of Nine hundred and Sixty-eight Dollars and eight cents of principal and interest, with costs and proceedings at law and otherwise having been commenced or had, and the said mortgage is now being sold at public sale, to wit: on the 15th day of April, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Court House of the County of Martin, State of Minnesota, will be sold at public auction at the front door of the office of the register of deeds of said county at Fairmont in said county on the 15th day of April, A. D. 1868, by the sheriff of said county or his lawful deputy, to wit: the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy the amount which may then be due on said note and mortgage, together with interest and costs and disbursement of said sale.

Dated Winnebago City, Minn., Feb. 13, 1868.
HENRY PRATT, Mortgagee.
ANDREW C. DUNN, Attorney for Mortgagee.
225w7 Winnebago City, Minn.

WANTED.—TEACHERS, STUDENTS, and business men, who are desirous of obtaining a complete and impartial analysis of the causes of the war which has been waged in our Southern States; it treats without partiality, and in the most moderate of the character of the struggle; and in its description of the conduct of the war, it gives those interior lights and shadows of the conflict only known to those high officers who watched the flood-tide of revolution from its fountain-springs, and which were accessible to Mr. Stretness from his position as chief publisher of the Confederate States. The result of the war, present and future, have never been treated by any other writer, in a soiled envelope, to any one who needs it, *free of charge*.

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April 5th, 1867.

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Peter was kneeling by a window and praying. Amid his loud cries the Captain heard the following:
"O Lord have pity upon thy poor old servant. His massa, who he used to take upon his knees when he was a boy, is vexed with his poor old darkey and I don't want to live any longer. O, dear Lord, please send the angels for old Peter. Just send the angel Gabriel, this minute; I am ready to go."

Captain K., ever ready for fun, immediately seized upon a white counterpane, and enveloping himself in it, rapped three times at Peter's door.

"Who's dare?" exclaimed Peter.
"The angel Gabriel, come to take old Peter to Father Abraham's bosom!" replied Captain K., in a sepulchral tone.

"De who, massa?" fearfully asked the supplicant.

"Old Peter!"
"Well I'll just tell you, massa, dat nigger don't live here; I don't know him at all."

Captain K., rushed back, to the company, convulsed with laughter, and old Peter relates to this day the wonderful answer to his prayer.

The *Advertiser's* Gazette recently published a collection of newspaper advertisements, from which we select the following:
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[Some months ago we published one stanza—the first—of some verses addressed by Miles O'Reilly to General "Tony" Forsythe, of General Sheridan's staff, on his marriage with Miss Ben-nison, of Ohio. They were suggested to the boy by the dreadful frequency with which he had observed this kind of accident to be happening to young bachelor officers of his acquaintance, since the termination of the war. As the first stanza appeared to be widely popular, and as General Forsythe may by this time be in a condition to appreciate the balance, we have resolved to give the full matrimonial threnody, or lament, as originally written by private Miles. Doubtless the eighth line of the 6th stanza makes reference to the steel-pointed Whitworth rifle, made in England, with which our iron-clads were peppered—four of them disabled, and one sunk—in Admiral Dupont's first attack upon Fort Sumter. —[Eds. New York Citizen.]

TO FORGETTHE FROM O'REILLY.
[Suggested by the deplorable frequency of matrimonial casualties to young officers of our acquaintance.]

They fall my friend! the young, the proud,
The gay, the festive ones fall—
An orange wreath instead of shroud,
A ring in lieu of nuptial hall!

The men who faced a battle's roar
Now yield to ruffled chemisees,
And lion hearts bow down before
Some twined, frilled pair of pantaloons.

And we who with them marched and slept,
Shaving advance, retreat, attack—
When revel on "ball horse" we kept,
Coffee, hard-lead and apple-jack—
Shall we not have one pitying breath
For these, our comrades, as they go—
Not happy to a sudden death,
But doomed to lingering lives of woe?

"Twas their own fault," the cynic cries,
"For if a moth will seek the flame,
And scorch his wings until he dies—
Is 't much, or lamp, or both we blame?"
Ah, true my friend! but think how long
These hapless months through war's dark night,
When rains were chill, and winds were strong,
Had pushed their cold and lonely flight!

So, when at last, they saw the gleam,
And felt the warmth of women's eyes—
Who blames them if they dreamed the dream
Which every moth in dreaming dies?
They were the youngest, tenderest kids,
And saw no snake beneath the flowers—
Nor knew that under beauty's lids,
Dwelt bulls of more than Whitworth powers.

And now, my friend! with moaning sore,
They yield the latch-key—and resign
The sacred corkers which, of yore,
In every pocket used to shine:
And lo! bereft, it is known to each
Of this once gay and festive band—
It matters not what rank they reach,
Their wives are in supreme command.

For from the ill-bode of power,
The strap with bar, or leaf, or bird—
But on the wives, to whom they cover,
For higher treasuries are conferred:
The thrashed frill, the scented glove,
The crimson lip, the throbbing breast—
The high commissions signed by love,
What slave of Hymen dares contest?

Ah, not unhappy, it was theirs
To ride unhurt through fields of strife;
But now—like rabbits caught in snares—
Each comrade yields him to a wife,
And, lo! forthwith, equalities, or calls,
Or chapman-bras, or haldie bright,
Are nothing more than empty trash—
Their rank and file (not wives) to fight.

For, higher than all flags that float,
Or all the stars on straps conferred,
In woman's deadliest, deadliest petition,
And woman's last appealing word!
In vain they strive—our comrades old—
Against the sway when first 'tis felt—
'Tis beauty's dower as slaves to hold
The hearts that once her power could melt.

And so they fall, the young, the proud,
The gay, the festive ones fall—
An orange wreath instead of shroud,
A ring in lieu of nuptial hall!
The men who faced a battle's roar
Now yield to ruffled chemisees,
And lion hearts bow down before
Some twined, frilled pair of pantaloons.

MILES O'REILLY.

Our Buried Treasures.

There are many graves in this world of ours, many hillocks of consecrated ground where rank grass draws nourishment from sacred dust. Many mourners there are in this same strange world,—an endless train of sorrow-stricken ones, hearts bruised and sabbled, inner sanctuaries forever tainted by the unforgotten dead. There are few hearts that have not a veiled recess, wherein is treasured up and hidden away from profane eyes the record of a sacred grief. Few are the mortals who cherish not in their bosoms the remembrance of something that has been and is not,—who weep not over the grave of a departed joy. For there are other graves than those containing human forms; not all are heaped up and turfed over by the sexton's spade. Bright hopes fade and die, cherished projects fail, dearest purposes are rudely uprooted, whole life-plans overthrown; and all these lie buried in the human heart. But, whether enclosed in grassy churchyards, arrayed side by side, with gleaming marble at the head, and rose bushes, may be, at the foot,—or, unmarked by marble slab, all unseen by mortal vision, hidden in the innermost recesses of one's own soul, they are still graves, and mourners have bent over them.—*Moore's Rural.*

One Jones, who had been sent to prison for marrying two wives, excused himself by saying that when he had one she fought him, but when he got two they fought each other.

Love's Eclipses.

Sweet Marion Linvale! She was the gentlest, dearest, best beloved of old and young in our pleasant village of Alderton. No one was so great a favorite with the children as Marion. She could scarcely stir abroad without having two or three sunny-haired little ones attendant, like graces, on her footsteps. And she loved the dear young creatures as tenderly as if she had been an angel, and they the objects of her especial care. Marion was beautiful. Beautiful, not as a Hebe; but spiritually beautiful, if I may so speak. In person, she was rather below the middle stature, but delicately and symmetrically made. Her countenance did not strike you at first; still, few looked at her who did not turn almost involuntarily, to look again, for the very soul of goodness was in her gentle face, and looked from her blue and heavenly eyes. Yes, all loved Marion Linvale, for no one could help loving her. But there was one who loved her with a more ardent passion than the rest, and that was Mark Wilford, a gay-hearted, high-spirited young man. He was the eldest son of Judge Wilford. To many it was a cause of wonder that Marion should yield her heart to the fascinations of one like Wilford, so opposite in character in every particular. But Love rarely regards metes and bounds which the wisest mark out for him.

Mark, after passing through college, went next to Boston by his father to study law with an eminent counsel—or in that city. Here his social feelings soon drew him into the society of young men as fond of pleasure as himself, and he led, from the beginning, rather a free life. Six months after leaving Alderton for Boston, he returned, and on the same day called over to see Marion. There was something in the appearance of Mark that affected the pure-hearted maiden with pain the moment she looked at him; and when he bent close to kiss her, and breathed in her face, the odor of brandy was so strong that it produced a momentary sickness. When they parted, after a brief meeting, Marion went quietly up to her chamber, and, after closing the door, sat down and wept silently.

On the next day Mark came over for Marion in his father's rockaway, and insisted on her riding out with him. She did not wish to go, yet was not prepared to decline the invitation. The brief debate in her mind was decided in favor of the young man's request. About a mile from Alderton stands a public house, much frequented by pleasure parties from the village. Out to this Mark drove, and alighted, walked with Marion into the beautiful garden laid out for the accommodation of visitors. Entering one of the arbors, he called to a servant and ordered refreshment, mentioning particularly a bottle of wine. Already he had been drinking enough to give his spirits an unusual degree of volatility; a fact perceived by Marion, much to her grief, soon after they commenced their ride.

"No, not wine, Mark," said she quickly, speaking from an impulse of the moment.

"Why not? Yes, wine—a bottle of your best pale sherry."

The servant girl departed, and Mark turned to Marion with light and jesting words. His eyes were not clear enough to look through the gentle smile she had forced to her face, and see the sadness that was beneath.

Soon the refreshments came, and Mark's first act was to fill a glass of wine and offer it to Marion. But she drew back and said, "No!"

"Then I will drink two glasses for every one I would have taken—one for you and one for myself, alternately," he replied gaily, and raising the glass to his lips, emptied it in a breath. A second and a third glass followed, and then perceiving the deep sadness that was veiling the face of the sweet girl, he drew his arm around her, and commenced singing the words of Moore:

"May tell me not, dear, that the goblet drowns
One charm of feeling and fond regret;
Believe me, a few of thy angry frowns
Are all I have sunk in its bright waves yet.
N'er bath a beam

Beauty not Power.

BY JULIUS HENRI BROWNE.
From the New York Ledger.

The women who make deep impressions—who carry with them an atmosphere of their own—who make social listeners for themselves—and would make revolutions, if the times were fitting, bear no badge of beauty as an emblem of their power. Their forces and fascinations are invisible to the eye. Their mind, their manners, their sympathies, their instincts, their spiritual insight—something of all of these fix, mould, and sway, the natures of others, and make or unmake fortunes and careers. They are the women who convert sensualists into saints, warriors into Sybarites, gallants into heroes, poets into swine. Their power for good or evil is unmeasurable, and circumstance determines which it shall be. Strong men bend, icy hearts take fire, breasts of adamant melt before them; and yet no outward shape of beauty assists at the spiritual conjuring. They work their miracles as mysteriously to themselves, peradventure, as to others; but sensuous seeming has no part in the mystic rites.

Those are the Cleopatra women—as they might be called—who are ever setting mankind by the ears, and making the elements of tragedy wherever they smile or kiss. Semiramis and Sappho were, without beauty, creatures of terrible power—fierce in their passions as tigers, and fascinating as serpents. Only tradition tells us of them; yet tradition, imperfect as it is, leaves the essence of truth in its precipitate of ages.

Cleopatra, it is well known now, was not lovable in person. Red-haired, thick-lipped, flat-nosed, masculine in proportions, she converted the brave and gifted Anthony into a tipsy drier, and caused the great Julius to forget even his absorbing ambition in her love. Lying drunk with volaputoons at her royal feet, fondling her fragrant hair, his invincible legions called to him in vain, and all the glorious memory of Rome and empire was drowned in her soft caress.

Aspasia was not handsome; yet she won the heart of the greatest and finest man of his time, and linked with Pericles her fame is immortal. Ninon de l'Enclos, blooming with freshness even in old age, all Paris and distinguished strangers falling in love with her on instinct, had her charm in her manners, her understanding of human nature, her conversation and her wit. The Duchess de Longueville, the elegant and fascinating mistress of Rochefoucault, owed the power she exercised far less to her person than to her spiritual grace and below the level of the brute.

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In Ripon, 'Let's burn our chimneys and conflagrate.'
In Brandon, 'Let's have an Onion.'
—Brandon (Wis.) Times.

Heart and tongue must go together; word and work, lip and life, prayer and practice must echo to one another, or else thy prayers and thy soul will be lost together.

How They do It.

In Chicago, when they ask you to drink, they say, 'Nominate your family disturbance.'
In St. Louis, 'Choose your cold pizen.'
In Cincinnati, 'Do you feel like driving a nail into your coffin?'
In Louisville, 'Let's put an enemy in our mouths.'
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In Frankford, 'Let's absorb.'
In New Orleans, 'Shall we fortify.'
In New Albany, 'Suppose we drug ourselves.'
In Indianapolis, 'Let us start for the watch house.'
In Terre Haute, 'Let us perjure ourselves.'
In Buffalo, 'Let's disqualify.'
And at Lexington, Ky., 'Will you have some nourishment?'
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"None but the brave deserve the fair," and none but the brave can live with some of them.

Man is an animal; so is a hog. It is a bad rule that won't work both ways; therefore man is a hog.

Books are embalmed minds. Fame is a flower upon a dead man's heart.

Language of Joy and Sorrow.

We seem to be better acquainted with the miseries than with the happiness of life. This is shadowed forth by the fact, that in at least the English language the words to express what is good and pleasurable are fewer by a great deal than those for the bad and painful. We have colors to paint every shade of wickedness, and strokes for every stage of woe; let the crime be the blackest, we can give it a name; let the cup be the bitterest, we can tell of the very lees. But to tell of the warring lights of pleasure, and all the winning ways of goodness, we are wholly at a loss; and the most we can say of the greatest goodness is, that there is an unknown, indescribable charm about it; the most we can say of the highest bliss, that it is unutterable.

An Exquisite Story.

In the tribe of Naggdeli there was a horse whose name was spread far and near, and a Bedouin of another tribe, by name Dahar, desired extremely to possess it. Having offered in vain for it his camels, and his whole wealth, he hit at length upon the following device, by which he hoped to gain the object of his desire. He resolved to stain his face with the juice of an herb, to clothe himself in rags, to tie his legs and neck together, so as to appear like a lame beggar. Thus equipped, he went to wait for Naber, the owner of the horse, who he knew was to pass that way. When he saw Naber approaching on his beautiful steed, he cried out in a weak voice, "I am a poor stranger; for three days I have been unable to move from this spot to seek for food, I am dying, help me, and heaven will reward you." The Bedouin kindly offered to take him up on his horse and carry him home; but the rogue replied, "I cannot rise; I have no strength left."

Naber, touched with pity, dismounted, led his horse to the spot, and, with great difficulty, set the s-e-m-ing beggar on his back. But no sooner did Dahar feel himself in the saddle, than he set spurs to the horse, and galloped off, calling out as he did so, "It is I, Dahar, I have got the horse, and am off with it." Naber called after him to stop and listen. Certain of not being pursued, he turned and halted at a short distance from Naber, who was armed with a spear. "You have taken my horse," said the latter. Since Heaven has willed it, I wish you joy of it; but I do conjure you never to tell any one how you obtained it." "And why not?" said Dahar. "Because," said the noble Arab, "another man might be really ill, and men would fear to help him." You would be the cause of many refusing to perform an act of charity, for fear of being duped as I have been." Struck with shame at these words, Dahar was silent for a moment, then springing from the horse, returned it to its owner, embracing him. Naber made him accompany him to his tent, where they spent a few days together, and became fast friends for life.—*Lamartine.*

Most of these famous women gained the reputation of beauty because they produced striking effects by unknown means. And we have grown so accustomed to associating all the charms of the sex with feature and form, that what attracts or delights us we term beautiful, without pausing to analyze the feeling, or consider the expression. Perhaps what we love is the highest if not the only beauty we can know; and therefore it is not strange men mingle mind and manners with outline and proportion, and confound cause with consequence.

But it is well to know, and not

Material Society

THE FREE HOMESTEAD.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 1888.

This paper has a larger circulation than any other paper in Faribault County, and is the only paper in the county, which is printed entirely at home.

Republican State Convention.

The undersigned, constituting the Republican State Central Committee, do appoint that a Convention of the Republican party of Minnesota be held at St. Paul, on WEDNESDAY, the THIRTEENTH DAY OF MAY NEXT, at 12 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing eight delegates to the Republican National Convention, to be held in Chicago on Wednesday, the 26th day of May next, and also to nominate four Presidential Electors.

In accordance with the call of the National Republican Committee, we invite the co-operation of all citizens who rejoice in the great civil war has happily terminated to the discomfiture of the rebellion; who would hold fast the unity and integrity of the Republic, and maintain its paramount right to defend to the uttermost its existence, whether imperiled by secret conspiracy or armed force; who are in favor of an economical administration of the public expenditure; of the complete extinction of the principles and policy of slavery; and of the speedy reorganization of those States whose governments were destroyed by the rebellion, and their permanent restoration to their proper practical relations with the Union in accordance with the true principles of Republican government.

The following appointment of the several counties is established on the basis adopted by the last State Convention, except as to Wake county, which is based on the Republican vote of 1886:

Anoka.....	2	Morrison.....	1
Becker.....	1	Mower.....	1
Brown.....	2	Stearns.....	1
Carver.....	3	Union.....	1
Chicago.....	2	Wabasha.....	1
Crow Wing.....	1	Wadena.....	1
Dakota.....	1	Winona.....	1
Dodge.....	1	Wright.....	1
Douglas.....	2		
Faribault.....	1		
Hennepin.....	1		
Houston.....	1		
Isanti.....	1		
Jackson.....	1		
Kandiyohi.....	1		
Lake.....	1		
Le Sueur.....	1		
Lincoln.....	1		
McLeod.....	1		
Manitoulin.....	1		
Marquette.....	1		
Meeker.....	1		

LEVI NUTTING, Chairman.
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O. P. STEARNS,
S. W. COLLINS,
E. B. CROOKER,
F. LUTHERSEN,
J. H. BROWN,
H. H. HARRIS,
FRED. DRISCOLL.

St. Paul, January 22, 1888.

Impeachment.

The President has sent to Alaska for Gen. Rousseau, and to New Orleans for Gen. Steadman, as witnesses in the trial.

The testimony on the part of the House of Representatives, was substantially closed last Saturday, and the court adjourned until to-morrow at 3 o'clock P. M.

An exchange says a movement is on foot to nominate James T. Brady, of New York, as a Democratic candidate for the Presidency.

Show a man that it is for his interest (not his duty) to treat you with consideration, and he will do it.—Deyo.

Women as Police.

It is often asked would you make women police officers? It has already been done. A society, at least of women exists in this country, for the discovery of crimes, conspiracies and such things. The chief of this band was Mrs. Kate Wann, a native of this state, who lately died in Chicago. She was engaged in this business, fifteen years ago, by Mr. Pinkerton, of the National Police Agency. She did good service for many years in watching, way-laying, exploring and detecting, especially on the critical occasion of President Lincoln's journey to Washington in 1861. In 1865 she was sent to New Orleans, as head of the Female Police Department there.—The Revolution.

The Diamond Dickens.

OLIVER TWIST, PICTURES FROM ITALY, AND AMERICAN NOTES.—This is the eleventh volume of the diamond edition of Mr. Dickens's works, as beautiful in type, illustrations, and binding as its predecessors. Oliver Twist is made to pass unexamined through scenes of evil, and the novelist strips vice of its false glitter, wherein Dickens differs from Bulwer and some other writers. In this volume appear the "American Notes" which so damaged "Boz" in the regards of many good people, especially persons who never read them. We have just given them a fresh perusal, and we must confess that we cannot find the occasion for the ancient outcry. He found some things to blame and some to laugh at. He blamed fairly and laughed heartily, and we showed the wounds in our vanity. He is to-day the most popular literary man on the continent; he will be heartily welcomed in his approaching visit; and we hope he will on his return give us a second series of "Notes."—N. Y. Christian Advocate.

The cost of each volume of the beautiful Illustrated Diamond Dickens is only \$1.50; plain edition, \$1.25. It can be procured of any bookseller, or will be sent by mail by the Publishers, Ticknor and Fields, Boston.

NASSBY.

A Frightful Dream that he Dreamed.

From the Toledo Blade.

LANSING, Mich., March 28.

Methawt I wuz in Liberia, that country across the waters, settled by civilized niggers. I wuz somewhat surprised at wot met my gaze. Niggers to the right uv me—niggers to the left uv me—niggers in front uv me—rode the six hundred thousand uv em. Occasionally in the streets uv Monrovia, the chief town, I seed a white man—more frequently a mulattar, and occasionally one in wiah wuz only a tinge uv white blood, jist enuff to show that his ancestors had left Kentucky many years and generations before. Passin a full blooded nigger on the street, he pushed me contemptuously into the gutter, and forthwith a rabble uv full-blooded nigger boys pelted me with mud, yellin at me, ez the tho wuz a approbrious term. "White man! yah! White man! Yah! yah! White man."

A mild faced nigger came to my rescue and rebuked the boys. "Is he," sed he, "to blame for bein white?—Remember, boys, the same God made him ez made you, and that he is not to blame for his color! He—"

At this period he stoit talkin. The fast nigger returned, and dammin him for a disturbin ole-idea Radlike, knockt him into the gutter, and muterin anthin about being troo to the tradishuns uv his race, stalked hawtly away.

"Is ther," sed I, indignantly, "no law fur these outrages? Am I to submit to bein pelted by boys and pummeled by men, and no redress?"

"Alars, sir," sed the benevolent lookin nigger, who hed the appearance uv a Sunday school teacher, "alars, sir, there isn't. Your color, sir—your color! They hev prejudices which they can't overcome, and that prejoedis the boys eva possess. Farwell, sir, some day it will be different, but now—"

And he drwd a sigh and walked on hastily, ez he notist a fresh crop uv boys approachin.

I walked on in my dream. Seem a large house I entered it. It wuz the capitol, and boldly I essayed to pass the door. The doorkeeper, with a expression uv skorn I never saw outside uv Kentucky, remarkt that the white gallery was up that way. Up I ascended, close under the roof, where there wuz possibly a dozen more like me, and I sot and listened to a curious debate. The measure under considerashun wuz a amendment to the Constitution uv Liberia, strikin the word "black" out uv that instrument. The thing hed been long pendin. Advocatin it wuz a half dozen members in a corner by themselves, and opposin it wuz all the rest uv the House. The seen wuz very much sich as I witnessed a good many years ago at Washington, when John Quincy Adams wuz a champion in the idea uv the ekality uv all men in the House. One member denouncst the leader uv the little minority ez a "base grovelin, low wretch, who had lost all pride of race—all regard for the purity uv blood—and who wuz insidiously plotting to debase the pure and proud race uv Ham by minglin with it the pale, milky blood uv the inferior races."

Another wantid this House to ask itself, "Do yoo want to march up to the polls longside uv a white man? Do yoo want to be tried for yer little crimes afore a jury uv white men? White men in offis! I shudder at the tho! See!" sed he, pullin out from under his coat a portrate uv a white woman, ez I seed Vallandigham du wunst in Ohio, at a Democratic meetin, only he held on his pasteboard a weech, "see to what the gentleman wishes to ally hisself."

Another member askt the House to seriously ask theireselves, afore they voted on the bill, whether this House wanted to marry a white woman? He wantid this House to ask herself whether she wantid his darter to marry a white man? "Ef we let em rote we must marry em!"

The vote wuz taken, resultin, uv course, in the votin down uv the bill. The six Radicals were townst expellid for introdoosin sich a incendiary measure, and the House adjourned.

The populace got hold uv the news, and the wildest joy previled. One wagon was rigged up, into wiah wuz 24 black girls with a banner over 'em, "Fathers perfect us from white ekality," and another similarly loaded carried a banner onto wiah wuz writen, "Black husbands or none! The purity of our race!" Noticin me on the street, the populace went for me. The police,

lice, who ought to have preserved the peace (they were mostly brigants from an island off the coast, wih they had left on account uv being oppressed by the king uv another island wih had got possession uv em, and wuz a bearin down upon em,) the policemen instead uv perfectin me, headed the hunt, and lively they made it. I was caught and rolled in the gutters, amid shouts of "Kill the d—d white-livered whelp!" and they pounded and pummeled me, and tore my clothes off. "To the white orfun asylum," shouted one uv 'em, and to that cry I owed my life. They belevied in wholesale killin rather than retale, and they made a rush for an asylum where the orfuns uv the few despised whites wuz a livin. Short work they made of it. The orfuns wuz roasted and beaten to death, the teachers run for their lives, and the buildins wuz sacked, the black women meantime ridin around with the banners over em, and the principle citizens addressin the mob, depreciatin violence, but nevertheless applaudin uv em for their zeal in preservin the purity uv the race.

Two white schoolhouses and eighteen dwellins wuz gone thru with, ez ef by inspirashun. Finally they got site uv me again, and ez there wuzn't any others in site, they cheerfully ceeded me, and riggin a rope, run me up to a lamp post. "Wat inhumanity! wat crocodile! wat injustice! shriekt I." Forchlooditly I did not further commit myself. The shoutin and the sense uv chokia awoke me. I wuz not in Afrika, I had not been beaten and pummeled, and rolled in the gutter and hung, but thank the Lord, I wuz in Amerika, the land ne free, where when such things is done the white men do em theireselves, wih is more comfortable.

But wat a fustful dream! Wat a misfortune it must be to be uv another race when that race aint in a majority. I freely sympathize with the niggers in this country.

PETROLEUM V. NASSBY, P. M., (Which is Postmaster.)

A MISSING AMERICAN VESSEL HEARD FROM.

Ten Persons Out of Eighty-three Saved.

From the Boston Traveller.

The ship General Grant, an A 1 vessel of 1,000 tons, built at Bath, Me., sailed from Boston for Australia, Nov. 25th, 1885; arrived safely March 13th, 1886, and left for London, May 4th, 1886, loaded with wool, skins, leather, hides, horns, snaddies, &c., together with 2,575 ounces of gold. She had about 56 passengers, and carried a crew of 27 persons. Nothing has been heard from the ship until the present time.

On the 21st of November, 1887, the whaling brig Amherst, Captain P. Gilroy, of Invercargill, New Zealand, discovered a boat putting off from Enderby Island, the most northeastern of the Auckland Island group, in latitude about 50deg 32m S. and longitude 166deg 12m E. The boat was picked up and found to contain ten out of eighty-three persons who sailed in the Gen. Grant over 18 months before. From these men, who had been living on an uninhabited island, and suffering all but death itself, for this period, the following narrative, in substance, is obtained:

From the day the ship sailed from Hobson's Bay, Australia, on the 4th of May, to the 11th, the winds were light and westerly, and the weather foggy. On the 13th land was sighted, and soon after the Auckland Islands, right ahead. The vessel was then hauled on the port tack, but had hardly steered away; the wind was light, and there was a nasty short sea on.

She stood on the port tack for nearly two hours, and during this time was setting boldly toward the land. The land on the lee beam looked like a fog-bank; the wind had fallen away to a dead calm, and the vessel became perfectly unmanageable. What was in his power to do the captain did, but in vain, for a heavy southwest swell was forcing her nearer and nearer to the fatal rocks. About 1 A. M. on the 14th of May, the ship struck a projecting rock and broke part of it away. She then shot astern, struck another point, carried away her spanker boom and rudder, breaking the ribs of the man at the wheel. It was pitch dark, but the ship's company became aware that she was settling into one of those immense, rocky caverns, which abound on that coast. By means of lamps hung out from the ship, they discovered nothing but rocks, towering high

above the masts, and surrounding them on every side.

Soon the royal and topmasts, and lower masts came down, successively, bringing down masses of rock, which broke the deck in pieces. At early dawn the boats were got out. Two of them were swamped and lost, with nearly all in them. The other two, after much peril, succeeded in finding a landing and got safely to land, with a portion of the provisions which they had saved from the wreck. On the 16th they effected a landing at Port Ross. One of their first anxieties on securing a landing was to raise a fire; for it was cold and a drizzling rain penetrated to their very bones, many of them being poorly clothed, and some without shoes. They had but one lucifer match among them all, and it became almost a question of life and death, how that match should serve them. The greatest care was taken to procure kindling stuff, and to protect the precious flame when first raised; and they were successful, and the fire kindled on that day was not allowed to go out for nearly eighteen months.—They caught two or three birds, gathered a few snappets, and these with a tin of bouilli were cooked and heartily enjoyed by the poor ship-wrecked people. The next day they discovered some old huts, which had doubtless afforded shelter for other sufferers, and gathered limpets, and killed four seals on the beach of Enderby's Island. Their lack of clothing, and their want of nourishing food brought on dysentery, and greatly reduced them, and caused terrible suffering. But gradually they rallied, and began to adapt themselves to their new position. They managed to catch seals enough to live on, and contrived to work up their skins into garments and shoes. They found rabbits on one of the islands; they also discovered wild pigs, which had been left by some previous occupants of that island; and by means of an ingenious sort of hook contrived to catch a number. They found other huts, and some tools, and finally became quite comfortably supplied with food. Still, their longings for deliverance were incessant, and they adopted various means to attract the attention of passing vessels. But all in vain—though once or twice vessels passed within sight of them—until the time of deliverance by the Amherst.

Pretiously to this, one of the boats, with four of the shipwrecked men, put to sea, in the hope of reaching New Zealand; but as nothing has been heard from them, it is feared they perished at sea. One of their number, Davis McLellan, aged 62, died on the island, Sept. 2, 1887. The Amherst was first discovered from the island November 19th, and the signal fire was lighted; but this did not attract the notice of the brig; and on the 21st the shipwrecked men manned their boat and put out, to intercept the vessel; which they fortunately succeeded in doing. They were kindly and joyfully received on board the Amherst, and taken to South Zealand, where they were hospitably entertained.

Among the lost were the captain of Gen. Grant, W. H. Laughlin, of New York, and second officer, B. F. Jones, of Massachusetts. The boat, which it is feared is lost, contained Bartholomew Brown, (chief officer of the General Grant,) Wm. Newton Scott, Andrew Morrison and Peter McNevin; and the date of their sailing, the 21st of January, 1884.

THE AEROTATOR.

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The undersigned, constituting the Republican State Central Committee, do hereby call a Convention of the Republican party of Minnesota to be held at St. Paul, on WEDNESDAY, the THIRTEENTH DAY OF MAY NEXT, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing eight delegates to the Republican National Convention, to be held in Chicago on Wednesday, the 26th day of May next and also to nominate four Presidential Electors.

In accordance with the 22d of the National Republican Committee, we invite the co-operation of all citizens who believe in the great civil war has happily terminated to the disfigurement of the republic, who would hold fast the unity and integrity of the Republic, and maintain its paramount right to defend to the uttermost its existence, who are in favor of an economical administration of the public expenditures; of the complete extension of the principles and policy of slavery, and of the speedy reorganization of those States whose governments were destroyed by the rebellion, and their permanent restoration to their proper practical relations with the Union in accordance with the true principles of Republican government.

The following appointment of the several counties is established on the basis adopted by the last State Convention, except as to Washington county, which is based on the Republican vote of 1886:

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Becker.....	1	Mower.....	1
Blue Earth.....	1	St. Louis.....	1
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Carver.....	2	Wabasha.....	1
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McLeod.....	1		
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St. Paul, January 22, 1888.

Impeachment.

The President has sent to Alaska for Gen. Rousseau, and to New Orleans for Gen. Steadman, as witnesses in the trial.

The testimony on the part of the House of Representatives, was substantially closed last Saturday, and the court adjourned until to-morrow at 9 o'clock P. M.

An exchange says a movement is on foot to nominate James T. Brady, of New York, as a Democratic candidate for the Presidency.

Show a man that it is for his interest (not his duty) to treat you with consideration, and he will do it.—Deyo.

Women as Police.

It is often asked would you make women police officers? It has already been done. A society, at least of women exists in this country, for the discovery of crimes, conspiracies and such things. The chief of this band was Mrs. Kate Warn, a native of this state, who lately died in Chicago. She was engaged in this business, fifteen years ago, by Mr. Pinkerton, of the National Police Agency. She did good service for many years in watching, way-laying, exploring and detecting, especially on the critical occasion of President Lincoln's journey to Washington in 1861. In 1865 she was sent to New Orleans, as head of the Female Police Department there.—The Revolution.

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NASBY.

A Frightful Dream that he Dreamed.

From the Toledo Blade.

LANSING, Mich., March 28.

Methaw! I wuz in Liberia, that country across the waters, settled by civilized niggers. I wuz somewhat surprised at wot met my gaze. Niggers to the right uv me—niggers to the left uv me—niggers in front uv me—rode the six hundred thousand uv em. Occasionally in the streets uv Monrovia, the chief town, I seed a white man—more frequently a mulatter, and occasionally one in wiah wuz only a tinge uv white blood, jist enuff to show that his ancestors had left Kentucky many years and generations before. Passin a full blooded nigger on the street, he pushed me contemptuously into the gutter, and forthwith a rabble uv full-blooded nigger boys pelted me wih mud, yellin at me, ez the th wuz a approbrious term. "White man! yah! White man! Yah! yah! White man."

A mild faced nigger came to my rescue and rebuked the boys. "Js he," sed he, "to blame for bein white?" Remember, boys, the same God made him ez made you, and that he is not to blame for his color! Ho—"

At this period he stoit talkin. The fust nigger returned, and dammin him for a disturbin idee—idea Radikie, knockt him into the gutter, and muterin such in about being troo to the tradishun uv his race, stalked hastily away.

"Is ther," sed I, indignantly, "no law for these outrages? Am I to submit to bein pelted by boys and pummeled by men, and no redress?"

"Alars, sir," sed the benevolent lookin nigger, who had the appearance uv a Sunday school teacher, "alars, sir, there is n't. Your color, sir—your color! They hev prejudices which they can't overcome, and that preiodis the boys evin possess. Farwell, sir, some day it will be different, but now—"

And he arwd a sigh and walked on hastily, ez he notist a fresh crop uv boy's approachin.

I walked on in my dream. Secin a large house I entered it. It wuz the capite, and buldly I essayed to pass the door. The doorkeeper, with a expression uv skorn I never saw outside uv Kentucky, remarkt that the white gallery was up that way. Up I assend, clost under the roof, where there wuz possibly a dozen more like me, and I sot and listened to a curious debate. The measure under consideration wuz a amendment to the Constitution uv Liberia, strikin the word "black" out uv thet instroument. The thing had been lugin pendin. Advocatin it wuz a half dozen members in a corner by themselves, and opposin it wuz all the rest uv the House. The seen wuz very much sich as I witnessed a good many years ago at Washington, when John Quincy Adams wuz a champion in the idea uv the ekality uv all men in the House. One member denounc the leader uv the little minority ez a "base grovelin, low wretch, who had lost all pride of race—all regard for the purity uv blood—and who wuz insidiously plotting to debase the pure and proud race uv Ham by minglin wih it the pale, milky blood uv the inferior races."

Another wartid this House to ask itself, "Do yoo want to march up to the polls longside uv a white man? Do yoo want to be tried for yer little crimes afore a jury uv white men? White men in ofis! I shudder at the thot! See!" sed he, pullin out from under his coat a portraite uv a white woman, ez I seed Vallandigham do wunst in Ohio, at a Democratic meetin, only he held on his pasteboard a weech; "see to what the gentleman wishes to ally hisself."

Another member askt the House to seriously ask themselves, afore they voted on the bill, whether this House wanted to marry a white woman? He wartid this House to ask herself whether she wantid his darter to marry a white man? "Ef we let em vote we must marry em!"

The vote wuz taken, resultin, uv course, in the votin down uv the bill. The six Radicals were townst expellid for introdusin sich a incendiary measure, and the House adjourned.

The populace got hold uv the news, and the wildest joy prevailed. One wagon was rigged up, into wiah wuz 24 black girls with a banner over em, "Fathers perfect us from white ekality," and another similarly loaded carried a banner onto wiah wuz written, "Black husbands or none! The purity of our race!" Noticin me on the street, the populace went for me. The police,

lice, who ought to have preserved the peace (they were mostly ingigrants from an island off the coast, wih they had left on account uv being oppressed by the king uv another island wiah had got possession uv em, and wuz a bearin down upon em,) the policemen instead uv perfectin me, headed the hunt, and lively they made it. I was caught and rolled in the gutters, amid shouts of "Kill the d—d white-livered whelp!" and they pounded and pummeled me, and tore my clothes off. "To the white orfun asylum," shouted one uv 'em, and to that cry I owed my life. They beleeved in wholesale killin rather than retale, and they made a rush for an asylum whero the orfun uv the few despised whites wuz a livin. Short work they made of it. The orfun wuz roasted and beaten to death, the teachers run for their lives, and the buildins wuz sacked, the black women meantime ridin around with the banners over em, and the principle citizens addressin the mob, depreciatin violence, but nevertheless applaudin uv em for their zeal in preservin the purity uv the race.

Two white schoolhouses and eighteen dwellins wuz gone thru wih, ez ef by inspirashun. Finally they got sitte uv me again, and ez there wuz n't any others in site, they cheerfully ceezed me, and riggin a rope, run me up to a lamp post. "Wat inhumanity! wat croolity! wat injustice! shreekt I." Forchoodly I did not further commit myself. The shoutin and the sense uv chokin awoke me. I wuz not in Afrika, I had not been beaten and pummeled, and rolled in the gutter and hung, but thank the Lord, I wuz in Amerika, the land uv the free, where when such things is done the white men do em themselves, wih is more comfortable.

But wat a fiteful dream! Wat a misferchoon it must be to be uv another race when that race aint in a majority. Treely sympathize wih the niggers in this country.

PETROLEUM V. NASBY, P. M., (Wich is Postmaster.)

A MISSING AMERICAN VESSEL HEARD FROM.

Ten Persons Out of Eighty-three Saved.

From the Boston Traveller.

The ship General Grant, an A 1 vessel of 1,000 tons, built at Bath, Me., sailed from Boston for Australia, Nov. 28th, 1865; arrived safely March 13th, 1866, and left for London, May 4th, 1866, loaded with wool, skins, leather, hides, horns, sundries, &c., together with 2,576 ounces of gold. She had about 85 passengers, and carried a crew of 27 persons. Nothing has been heard from the ship until the present time.

On the 21st of November, 1867, the whaling brig Amherst, Captain P. Gilroy, of Invercargill, New Zealand, discovered a boat putting off from Enderby Island, the most northeastern of the Auckland Island group, in latitude about 50deg 32m S. and longitude 166deg 12m E. The boat was picked up and found to contain ten out of eighty-three persons who sailed in the Gen. Grant over 18 months before. From these men, who had been living on an uninhabited island, and suffering all but death itself, for this period, the following narrative, in substance, is obtained:

From the day the ship sailed from Hobson's Bay, Australia, on the 4th of May, to the 11th, the winds were light and westerly, and the weather foggy. On the 18th land was sighted, and soon after the Auckland Islands, right ahead. The vessel was then hauled on the port tack, but had hardly steered away; the wind was light, and there was a nasty short sea on. She stood on the port tack for nearly two hours, and during this time was setting bodily toward the land. The land on the lee beam looked like a fog-bank; the wind had fallen away to a dead calm, and the vessel became perfectly unmanageable. What was his power to do the captain did, but in vain, for a heavy southwest swell was forcing her nearer and nearer to the fatal rocks. About 1 A. M. on the 14th of May, the ship struck a projecting rock and broke part of it away. She then shot astern, struck another point, carried away her spanker boom and rudder, breaking the ribs of the man at the wheel. It was pitch dark, but the ship's company became aware that she was settling into one of those immense, rocky caverns, which abound on that coast. By means of lamps hung out from the ship, they discovered nothing but rocks, towering high

above the masts, and surrounding them on every side.

Soon the royal and topmasts, and lower masts came down, successively, bringing down masses of rock, which broke the deck in pieces. At early dawn the boats were got out. Two of them were swamped and lost, with nearly all in them. The other two, after much peril, succeeded in finding a landing and got safely to land, with a portion of the provisions which they had saved from the wreck. On the 16th they effected a landing at Port Ross. One of their first anxieties on securing a landing was to raise a fire; for it was cold and a driving rain penetrated to their very bones, many of them being poorly clothed, and some without shoes. They had but one lucifer match among them all, and it became almost a question of life and death, how that match should serve them. The greatest care was taken to procure kindling stuff, and to protect the precious flame when first raised; and they were successful; and the fire kindled on that day was not allowed to go out for nearly eighteen months.

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Previously to this, one of the boats, with four of the shipwrecked men, put to sea, in the hope of reaching New Zealand; but as nothing has been heard from them, it is feared they perished at sea. One of their number, Davis McLellan, aged 62, died on the island, Sept. 2, 1867.

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She stated that she left home in Aberdeen at fourteen years of age, thro' the ill-treatment of a step-mother, and having procured boy's clothing went to sea. She contrived to preserve the secret of her sex for five years and performed the duty of a seaman remarkably well, taking her turn at the wheel, going aloft to furl royals, and was quite an adept at the nicer details of the profession. The Captain, Mr. Litter, on becoming acquainted with the fact of his having a woman on board, was perforce compelled to part with her, and accordingly he took her to the acting chief magistrate, on December 18th, at the Port Police Court, to ask his advice. At the suggestion of Mr. Bickers, the city missionary, she was handed over to that gentleman, who offered to look after her until she could be provided with passage home, or some employment suited to her sex should be obtained.

The captain seemed loth to part with the daughter of Neptune, gave her an excellent character, and said she was of quite a retiring disposition, and at the same time was one of the smartest hands in the ship.

The poor girl was very much elated at the discovery of her sex, and seemed very much abashed when questioned as to her history. It is not proposed to make a heroine out of the young woman, but overlooking the peculiar eccentricity which has brought her before the public, it is undeniable that she has exhibited great pluck, spirit, endurance, temperance, self-denial, and self-restraint for a very long period of time, and under very trying circumstances. On this account, and seeing that she is too far from home and from friends, it is proposed to find her a moderate wardrobe, and such a purse as will give her a chance of a new career in honor, having regard to her capabilities and station in life.

Rev. James Lynch, a colored preacher of Mississippi, and well known in Baltimore, challenges any one in the State to discuss the question of suffrage with him before the voters of the State. He remarks: "My color alone should be no objection to an acceptance of this challenge, inasmuch as it will take no part in the task. I will only use my heart, my brains and my tongue."

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Settle Up!

ALL persons indebted to the late firm of Abbott & Welch are requested to call immediately and settle the same. We are in need of money and the business must be settled up without delay. "A word to the wise," &c.

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NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons intending to teach in the County of Faribault the ensuing year that the public examination of Teachers will be held on the several Commissioner Districts of said county as follows, to wit:—

1. At the school house in Pilot Grove, April 8th.
2. At the school house in Blue Earth City, April 9th and 10th.
3. At the school house in Walnut Lake, 15th and 16th.
4. At the school house in Winnebago City, 13th and 14th.
5. At the school house in Minnesota Lake, 17th and 18th.

The examinations will be conducted by written and oral questions and answers. A portion of the time will be occupied in giving Normal Instruction to the applicants. Teachers will come provided with the National Fifth Reader, Robinson's Practical Arithmetic, pencils and paper, and be present at the commencement of the examination and remain until the close.

N. B. No Certificate will be granted to any parties except upon satisfactory evidence of inability to attend the Public Examination. A. H. EISELEY, County Superintendent of Schools.

AGENTS WANTED TO SELL THE HISTORY OF THE WAR BETWEEN THE STATES, in Causes, Characters, Conduct, and Results, By Hon. Alexander H. Stephens. A book for all sections and all parties. This absorbingly interesting book by "our great statesman" of the South, presents the most complete and impartial analysis of the causes of the war which has ever appeared from a Southern pen; it treats without partisanship, and in the utmost moderation of the character of the struggle; and in its description of the conduct of the war, it gives those interior lights and shadows of the conflict only known to those high officers who watched the flood-tide of rebellion from its fountain-springs, and which were so accessible to Mr. Stephens from his position as second officer of the Confederate States. The results of the war, present and future, have never been treated by any other author, and Mr. Stephens' great abilities have here found their fullest play. The intense desire everywhere manifested to obtain this work, its Official Character and ready sale, combined with an increased opportunity to make it the best subscription book ever published, and offers to Agents the best opportunity to make money ever heard of in the history of books. Send for descriptive circulars and Terms to Agents, ZIEGLER, McARDY & Co., Lombard Block, Chicago, Ill.

THE FREE HOMESTEAD

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 1908.

Prof. Agassiz of Boston is ill.

New York weekly for sale at the Drug Store.

Pine Lumber for sale at the Hardware Store in Winnebago City.

John A. Logan has our thanks for public documents received.

Mountain Dew fine cut chewing tobacco and No. 1 Cigars at the Drug Store.

Morse, (Dave.) has gone to the land of Steady Habits, and Holley and Mann recently left town for Rushford.

Save time and labor by using Sherrell's Kulliyun Washing Crystal. No humbug. For sale at the Drug Store.

Senator Ramsey continues his frequent favors in the way of books, pamphlets and speeches. The Hon. Alex. is remembered.

It should be distinctly understood that Sargent pays the highest market price for green Hides and Furs, at his store in Winnebago City.

The District School in Winnebago City will commence on Monday, April 20th, 1898, under the superintendence of a competent teacher.

Dentist Pierce will be here next Monday morning, and will remain in town about four days. Do not fail to secure his patronage, if you have any aches.

'Good Cooks.—Ladies, if you would be known as good cooks, and would avoid the mortification of having poor biscuit for tea when you have company, use D. E. De Land & Co's Best Chemical Biscuit, and that only.

L. G. Thomas has sold his farm situated three miles north of town, to Moulton & Desden. Consideration, \$2,700.

Mr. Thomas has purchased the Burdick farm, two miles south of Fairmont, and intends, after a short visit to the east, to settle on the same.

C. J. Farley has just received a large stock of White Lead, Linseed Oil, Gargling Oil, Pain Killer, &c. Also a well selected stock of Fancy Candles, School Books, Letter, Note, and Bill Paper, Ink, Blank Books, Memoranda Books, Diaries for 1898, Hymn Books, Slates, Multiplex, Pens, &c.

Emerick has opened his Photograph gallery for the season, and has shown some pictures which he took last week, which are real gems in their way. There is positively no need of going to other and larger towns for shadows, when they can be obtained at home with so little trouble and cost. Don't fail to go and see Emerick, of Winnebago City, if you wish to have your face preserved in the most approved style.

The Republican Canters of Winnebago City, was held in Moulton's Hall last Saturday night. The town was well represented, and the hall resounded with loud "fun." Several amusing speeches were made, but the Mayor interposed, and the "pilgrims" bowed himself into retirement.

The meeting was called to order by J. H. Welch, Chairman of Committee, and Hon. J. A. Latimer elected Chairman, and E. A. Hotchkiss Secretary. The following ticket was nominated, and yesterday was elected by a fair town vote. The Democratic opposition polled only 14 votes, it being nearly the whole force of that organization in Winnebago City.

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For Supervisors,
J. A. Latimer, Ch'n.
Edwin Basye,
Thomas George.

For Town Clerk,
David T. Goodwin.

For Town Treasurer,
Geo. K. Moulton.

For Assessor,
Fred. M. Peirce.

For Justices of the Peace,
Edw. H. Hutchins
G. E. Hannum.

For Constables,
Fred. M. Peirce,
W. W. Howe.

At the caucuses the following Town Committee was elected for the ensuing year: E. A. Hotchkiss, Chairman, J. H. Welch, James Crays.

The Ladies in and about Winnebago City, or any other part of the country, can now have an opportunity of viewing the richest, finest, and most complete stock of Millinery Goods ever offered in this market. Ladies Hats, Bonnets, Veils, Ribbons, Silk, Straw, and other trimmings; Flowers, Feathers, Plumes, Wreathes, and any and everything required in a full stock of milliner goods of the latest styles and fashions. Call in and examine my goods, free of charge, before purchasing elsewhere.

Mrs. E. W. Merrill.

The friends of Rev. E. W. Merrill in this vicinity, will be pleased to read the following letter:

CANNON FALLS, March 23, 1898.—
Editors St. Paul Press:—Quite a revival of religion is in progress, in this place in the Congregational Church. The church has been greatly revived and quickened; backsliders are returning to God; the unconverted are inquiring the way to Christ, and several give evidence of being born again. The Congregationalists, Baptists and Methodists are harmoniously working together, for the cause of Christ in this community. Yours truly,
E. W. MERRILL.

Paradigmatic.

About 4 P. M., yesterday I saw an Editor.—There is nothing strange in the fact that an editor is seen by the common people in these days and this land, but this editor was happy. And wherefore happy? He had left his sanctum, thrown off the cares and anxieties of his business, and was enjoying the free air in an open eddy behind one of Tommy's best. To say that he looked happy, can give one no idea of his appearance. I was reminded of the feelings expressed by the chap who, when gloriously light, was reclining along the streets to the great disgust of the sheriff who continued him to keep quiet or he would get into the lock up. If you do, said the fellow, I will swell up and bust your d—d old jail.

It was well the editor was out of his office, for he was swelling and his accident might have happened to the printing establishment. A query arose in my mind, was he thinking of his trine, was he looking for land or was this his first drive since he assumed the editorial chair of the *Post-Tribune*.
Winnebago City, April 8th, 1898.
After reading the above "local," we realize a second edition of our happiness in knowing that while we were kindly affording amusement to the embryo Editor of the "M. R. Herald," we were at the same time the unconscious martyr of his itching brain and long lead pencil. Success to ye editorial chrysalis.—Ed. *Homestead*.

Is there a housewife in Minnesota who wants sour, heavy bread? We think not. Then buy flour which is made at the "WOODLAND MILLS" in the Township of Winnebago City. We know of no flour in the country which has a better reputation than that which is made at these mills, and it is a positive fact that none but the first quality of flour can be long in use without its merits being thoroughly tested. All who have used the Woodland Mill's flour say it is the best they have ever had since they came to Minnesota, and without any hesitation or mental reservation, we advise all to try the justly celebrated *Woodland Mill's Flour*. These mills are capable of grinding three hundred bushels of wheat every twenty-four hours, and farmers who take their grists there, are not obliged to wait until doomsday for the flour.

Remember the Woodland Mills.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Ed. FREE HOMESTEAD:—I noticed prairie flowers in bloom on the 2d inst. also a dainty little pansy that had dared to show its colors.

The ice has disappeared from the lakes, the bosoms of which are now dotted with ducks and geese.

The late chilly weather has compelled farming operations to suspend for the present.

As sly as they try to keep it, the masons of this vicinity had an oyster supper and enjoyed themselves highly last Wednesday evening, after suspending labors in the lodge.

I noticed several cross women the next day, and on inquiring I found that they don't like the idea of staying at home alone, while their husbands enjoy themselves till the wee small hours of night.

The Little Corporal is published at Chicago, Ill., by Alfred L. Sewell, and is devoted to "The Good, the True, and the Beautiful."

EVERY SATURDAY for April 4th contains Diary in Libby Prison; The Bath-Chair Man's Story; The Squire's Temper-Trip; Concerning Pral. Rephectism; and Traces of the Giants.

The United States Musical Review for April contains 12 large pages of music, and costs only \$2.00 per annum.

The World at Home for April makes its appearance with a splendid frontispiece representing the flags of all nations, and has its usual vast amount of reading.

The Turret-Clock, The Siren, The Tale of an Old Man's Youth, &c., are very entertaining.

Address: J. L. Peters, P. O. Box 5429 New York.

Littell's Living Age for April contains The Three Lyriats—Horse, Barns, Brangers; Vassals; A Sad Hour; Linda Tresselt, part VI.; Rice Home, part III.; Mr. Adams; Dr. Newman's Poems; Memoirs of Lord Roughton; The Study of the New Testament; The Poetry of the Middle Ages; Jealousy; An Old Lady's Recollections; Poetry; Short articles, &c., &c.

MARKET REPORTS.

Waseca Lumber Market.

Common Boards, 1st quality, per M.	\$24 00
Pine, " " " "	23 00@25 00
Stock Boards, " " "	27 00
Wagon Box Boards, " " "	30 00
Sheathing " " "	26 00

Waseca Produce Market.

Wheat per bushel, No. 1.	\$1 35
Oats " " " "	1 45
Corn " " " "	90
Butter, " " " "	50
Eggs, " " " "	20
Beans, " " " "	15
Flour, " " " "	4 75
Shingles, No. 1, 12 and 16 inch.	\$3 25
Shingles, No. 2, 12 and 16 inch.	3 50

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

STATE OF MINNESOTA,
COUNTY OF FARIBAULT, ss.
State of Minnesota, to E. L. Eastbrook, defendant.
You are hereby summoned to be and appear before the undersigned, one of the Justices of the Peace in and for said County, on the 27th day of April, 1898, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at my office in the town of Winnebago, Lake in a civil action, to answer to Barnes and Barber, a civil action. Should you fail to appear at the time and place aforesaid, judgment will be rendered against you on the evidence submitted by said Barnes and Barber, for such sum as they shall show themselves entitled to.
Given under my hand this 27th day of March, A. D. 1898.
A. R. TOWN,
Justice of the Peace.

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I have used Prof. Curtis' Hair Lotio for restoring my hair, and I find it a superior article. I am perfectly satisfied with it.
Win GARETSON, M. D.
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Reminiscence of Thad. Stevens. Early Life of the "Great Commoner."

From the Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

Songly nestled among the mountains of Northern Vermont lies the good farming town of Peacham. Some years since, the writer, while passing a few months in that hilly country with the pastor of the village, called one day on an aged parishioner, who lived in a small red house in the outskirts of the town. It was during the war, and the wrinkled hands of the good woman were employed in knitting socks for the soldiers. Of course the conversation turned naturally upon the affairs of the country. While talking of the army, the President, and Congress, the name of Stevens was mentioned. Instantly the large black eyes of our hostess brightened, and she said: "It was over there, on that farm, Thaddeus Stevens was born," and she pointed to a gray farm house, in sight, a mile or more across the hills.

"You knew him, then?" I asked. "Indeed I did, ma'am!" was the enthusiastic reply. "We used to sit on the same seat, in the old school house down in the hollow yonder."

It required little questioning to draw from the willing and glib old soul, the story of the early life of her former school mate.

"The family was poor," she said, "and Mrs. Stevens was one of those hard-working mothers who toil from morning till night, week in and week out. She would have worked her fingers to the bone that her boy might get book learning. Thaddeus was a sickly boy, and very lame. Folks never supposed they'd be able to raise him. But they did! Why, I remember him as though I had seen him yesterday. He was still and quick like; different from other boys—and sometimes they'd laugh at him, boy like, and mimic his limping walk. They didn't mean any harm, but Thaddeus was a sensitive little fellow, and it rankled. I've always thought perhaps that's the reason he has never been back to the old homestead."

"Are any of the family left here?" I asked.

"No, not any near kin. The old folks died many years ago, of course, for I'm an old woman now," and she stooped to heave a sigh over the dead and buried years. "But, deary me! how plain I can see the old school house. Senath Jones, she was our teacher, and I remember she used to go round and tap us on the head with her thimble finger to make us sit still. 'Pears to me, to this day, that I can feel the dent of Senath Jones' thimble on my head. I wonder if Thaddeus Stevens ever remembers the old times. 'Taint at all likely. He's had so many other things to think of. I've heard that he's got to be a great man amongst 'em there at Washington.'"

As I said, four years have passed since the story was told me, and some items of the account have escaped my memory. But I think I shall never lose the impression of that sad, silent boy, plodding wearily and halting over those Vermont hills, smarting under ridicule and battling with poverty, but full of high resolve in spite of all. Who can tell how much of the power which is felt throughout the nation today, may have been wrought into the character of Thaddeus Stevens by the cruel struggle of that early warfare? "The strength of the hills," I thought, as I stood that night on the steps of the low farm house, and saw the sun set behind the Green Mountains, forty miles to the westward, while the crimson flush of the after-glow reddened the white hills, whose pyramid peaks are sharply defined against the sky as many miles to the east. How many men who, a generation hence, are to stand as giants among their kind, are to-day concealed among these towering hills? In how many an obscure home a patient woman labors, ready to coin her very life's blood that the boy of her pride may rise and shine, when her own eyes are closed and her own toil-hardened hands folded in their last—I almost said their first—long rest?

A German writer, Boerne, compares the different stages in the lives of women to milk, butter and cheese. "A girl," he says, "is like milk, a woman like butter, and an old maid like cheese—all three may be excellent in their kind."

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THE FREE HOMESTEAD.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 1868.

This paper has a larger circulation than any other paper in Faribault County, and is the only paper in the county which is printed entirely at home.

Republican Convention.

The undersigned, constituting the Republican State Central Committee, do hereby call a Convention of the Republican party of Minnesota to be held at St. Paul, on WEDNESDAY, the THIRTEENTH DAY OF MAY NEXT, at 12 o'clock, for the purpose of electing eight delegates to the Republican National Convention, to be held in Chicago on Wednesday, the 20th day of May next.

In accordance with the call of the National Republican Committee, we invite the co-operation of all citizens who believe that our great civil war has supplied terminated the disunion of the Republic, who would not fast the unity and integrity of the Republic, and maintain its permanent right to defend to the uttermost its existence, whether imperiled by rebel conspiracy or armed force; who are in favor of an economical administration of the public expenditures of the complete extinction of the principles and policy of slavery, and of the speedy reorganization of those States whose governments were destroyed by the rebellion, and their permanent restoration to their proper practical relations with the Union in accordance with the true principles of Republican government.

The following appointment of the several counties is established on the basis adopted by the last State Convention, except as to Washington county, which is based on the Republican vote of 1860:

Anoka.....	2	Morrison.....	1
Benton.....	1	Monroe.....	1
Blue Earth.....	2	Miller.....	1
Brown.....	2	Monticello.....	1
Carver.....	2	St. Cloud.....	1
Chisago.....	2	St. James.....	1
Crow Wing.....	1	St. Louis.....	1
Dakota.....	2	St. Peter.....	1
Dodge.....	2	St. Regis.....	1
Douglas.....	2	St. Vincent.....	1
Fairbault.....	2	Swiftwater.....	1
Hennepin.....	2	St. Cloud.....	1
Houston.....	2	St. James.....	1
Isanti.....	2	St. Louis.....	1
Jackson.....	2	St. Peter.....	1
Kandiyohi.....	2	St. Regis.....	1
Lake.....	2	St. Vincent.....	1
Le Sueur.....	2	Swiftwater.....	1
Lincoln.....	2	St. Cloud.....	1
McLeod.....	2	St. James.....	1
Manitoulin.....	2	St. Louis.....	1
Marion.....	2	St. Peter.....	1
Meeker.....	2	St. Regis.....	1

LEVI NUTTING, Chairman.
J. B. WAKEFIELD,
O. P. STEARNS,
J. W. COLLINS,
J. B. CHURCH,
W. L. HIRSH,
G. H. KEITH,
FRED. DRISCOLL.

St. Paul, January 22, 1868.

Selfishness.

The St. Paul Pioneer, under the head of "Emigration to the West" says:

"The New York Tribune publishes a letter from one of its correspondents, giving directions to emigrants seeking the far West, indicating their routes of travel, the kind of supplies necessary and what should form an outfit. The correspondent, however, confines his instructions to those who propose going to the plains and the mines, and he does not allude to the mistaken judgment that would select the arid, treeless prairies at the base of the Rocky Mountains, or the uncertain chances of the diggings, in preference to the fertile sections that are nearer civilization, can be reached more easily and cheaply, and cost no more per acre."

The Tribune wisely calls attention to this fact, and says that a far more inviting field for emigrants is to be found nearer home. It especially speaks of that part of Minnesota to be reached by way of Taylor's Falls, or St. Cloud, or Winnebago City. It might have named in addition other portions of this State that present the best inducements to settlers. Minnesota is the best wheat country in the world, and other grains grow as well here as they do anywhere. Wood and water are plenty. Government land is to be had in abundance. Taxes are reasonable. Schools are everywhere established, and all the solid advantages desired by settlers exist. It is a far better section in which to choose a place for a home, than can be found by the expensive routes to the far West, which are lined by Indians out scalp hunting, and which lead to no place so desirable by an emigrant with all his senses about him."

Selfishness number one, may be seen in the Tribune correspondent who advises every one to go to the Rocky Mountains, and selfishness number two, in the Pioneer Editors, who are a little jealous because the New York Tribune especially speaks of that part of Minnesota to be reached by way of Taylor's Falls, St. Cloud, or Winnebago City, and very wisely says: "The Tribune might have named other portions of this State, that present the best inducements to settlers."

Is it not likely that the Tribune mentioned the places which it supposed presented the best inducements to settlers?

If all mankind could be persuaded to say, "Not as I will, but as thou wilt," as sincerely as Christ said it, sin would that moment cease to exist in the world, God and man would be perfectly reconciled, and His will would be done on earth as it is in heaven. Yes, let every human being only say to God with his whole heart, "Not my will, but thine be done," and holiness and happiness would instantly fill the world; men would be embodied angels, and earth would become a sublimity heaven.—Peyson.

Presidential Gossip.

"Mack," of the Cincinnati Commercial has a talk with Andy Johnson, and Andy denies the correctness of the reports of his "cicero speech," and said especially in regard to the

CLEVELAND SPEECH.

"I did not intend to make a speech there at all. My intention was to come out in response to the call of the people, and I excuse myself and retire. But as soon as I appeared some people in the crowd commenced to shout at me and question me, and I thought I'd go in and silence them. I have been in political life for a long time, and am naturally combative. I don't propose to be hooted down by any body, and especially I didn't propose to be hooted down by a set of men sent out for that purpose, as those fellows were at Cleveland and elsewhere. So they went for me, and I went for them, and we had it hot and heavy for a while. They would listen to me for awhile but kept interrupting me to prevent me from saying anything. I was determined they shouldn't succeed, but that since they didn't want me to speak, I'd speak any how. And I kept on until I got the better of them, and after a short time they listened to me in perfect silence. If I used any rough expressions they were put into my mouth by my enemies. I said a good deal then that I might not have said if they had not provoked me to it, but I did not say all I might have said either. I am made to talk of kicking Congress out, when what I did say was that I would kick out certain officeholders, and that phrase was put into my mouth by some one in the crowd."

FOLLOWING MR. LINCOLN.

As to the charge that it was undignified and unbecoming in the President of the United States to make stump speeches in this way, he said he did not believe just then was the time to talk of dignity. There were great questions before the people, and it was more important that they should be understood than any body's dignity should be preserved. Besides, said he, "Did not Mr. Lincoln make stump speeches on his way to Washington and afterwards? Nobody objected to that, and no crowd hooted him or badgered him as they did with me. Other Presidents have done the same thing. But do they propose to impeach me on a question of taste and dignity? Is it dignified in Mr. Wade to go around the country calling me a d—d traitor, and must I be impeached if I say a word in reply?"

From this point the transition seems to have been easy to

INTOXICATION.

The public has been led to believe that he was intoxicated all the way, from the time he left Washington till he got back.

"They'll find out, at any rate, that I didn't drink half as much as any one or two others, about whose condition nobody dare say a word."

"I think I can guess the name of one of them," said I. "Didn't he go from Cleveland to Detroit, and wasn't it announced with a great flourish of trumpets that he had left your party in disgust?"

"Yes," replied the President, "he went to Detroit, but it wasn't because he was disgusted with my politics at all. In fact, he wasn't in a condition to know much about politics just then."

The President seemed to feel quite vexed over the reflection that he was the only one who was accused of hilarity on that circle trip. "It's very strange," said he, "that some men will be abused like the devil for drinking a glass of whisky and water, while others in equally important stations may almost roll in the gutters, and not a word is said about it. It is so of different men in Congress. Some of them are abused as drunkards, if they are seen drunk once, and others are drunk all the time and not a word is said about it. So it is with me. The people have been told all sorts of lies about me in this particular, but there has never been anything proved against me, though they have tried it often enough. Out of all the witnesses examined about that trip of 1866, there is not one that proves that I was drunk. But the people are told it through the press and politicians—in the newspapers and on the stump—and I have never taken the trouble to deny it. Yet the man to whom I have just now alluded, has been in this very room so drunk that he couldn't stand straight on his legs. I'd like to know why I'm abused all the time for what I don't do, and why never a word is said about him for what he does do. It is a very queer system of morals, I think, to say

the least of it. There is no fair play about it, nor any of that venal kind of justice that should characterize the people in their treatment of public men. If they want to investigate my conduct, or any subject connected with it, they are at liberty to do so; but I think they owe it to me, and to themselves that they should not abuse me unjustly at the same time they cover up the crimes of others. Fair play is a jewel, they say, and I don't think I have forfeited the right to ask it."

The remainder of the conversation was taken up in denials of the charge of "usurpation," which were retorted upon Congress, accusations against Senators of prejudging his case, and denial of responsibility for revenue frauds.

Grant.

A Democratic paper says that the whole Radical creed is comprised in one word, "Grant." A very good word for a creed, too. Grant means to give. The Republican party means to grant every man his rights. It will grant succor and protection to oppressed American citizens at home and abroad, irrespective of color, race or religion. It will grant peace and prosperity to the country. It will grant a remission of the heavy taxation under which the country has groaned. It will grant all that the people justly ask. Beside, it will grant the Democratic party a tremendous whipping next fall. As a creed, Grant has another advantage over the Democratic creed. The Democratic creed is very brief, comprising only three words, "D—n the nigger!" But ours is still shorter, is comprised in one word. The two are directly opposite in meaning. Ours means give; theirs to condemn and torture. Ours is the very essence of charity, and love for man; theirs the concrete of damnation and eternal banishment from right, from peace and from truth. Republicans grant; Democrats damn.—Which is the better and more noble, it needs no prophet to decide.—Detroit Post.

A Negro Democrat.

Hon. J. A. J. Cresswell, in an eloquent address before the Border State Convention at Baltimore, narrated the following:

"I know that one black man in Maryland whose position is doubtful; the name is Abe Curtis, in my country. Some one came to me some time ago and said Abe Curtis was a Copperhead. 'Oh,' said I, 'I think that's very true.' The next time I saw Abe I told him, 'They say you are a Copperhead, Abe.' 'Oh, yes, Massa John, I'm a Copperhead.' Says I, 'Abe, you're a fool.' 'No, massa,' says he, 'I'm no fool. Just hear what this nigger has to say. You know I am a pretty old man, and can't read nor write, and ain't got sense enough to learn, and besides I'm mighty fond of whisky. I never thought I was fit for anything but to be a Democrat.' [Great applause and laughter.] That sort of reasoning overcame me, and I surrendered at discretion."

A prayer meeting has recently been instituted by some Scotch thieves, to which they make a practice of enticing respectable persons, to whom at the conclusion of the prayers they appeal for a subscription in behalf of some poor widow or orphan. If the contribution be a liberal one, the contributor is allowed to depart in peace. If otherwise, he is robbed of all valuables, and is fortunate if he do not lose his hat, coat and vest. A Glasgow Sunday School teacher was recently enticed into one of these places, where, after being edited by readings from the Scriptures and commentary thereon, he was shocked by a semi-humorous prayer, which was a prelude to his being robbed and otherwise maltreated.

POWER OF PRAYER.—Prayer is the key of heaven, and faith is the hand that turns it. We cry, Abba, Father. "We cry"—that is the fervency. "Abba, Father."—There is the faith. Fervency in prayer, is as fire to the incense; it makes it ascend to heaven as a sweet perfume. To induce believers to pray in faith, let them remember the truthfulness of God; He often exceeds the prayers of his people. Hannah asked for a son; God gave her not only a son, but a prophet. Solomon asked wisdom; God gave him not only wisdom, but riches and honor besides. Jacob asked that God would give him food and raiment; but the Lord increased his riches to two bands.

It is computed that we used 37,000,000 pounds of tea in this country last year.

For the Free Homestead. Popular Ostracism.

Ostracism had its origin in ancient Athens. When an Athenian became conspicuous by wealth or power, and was in consequence thought likely to conceive plans of ambition dangerous to the public and the existing form of government, he was in danger of being ostracised or banished.

But ostracism has not been confined to Athens. Succeeding ages have not destroyed its power. Hence, even now, we see public men sinking beneath the angry surges of popular disfavor. This is especially the case in our own country. Here our representatives and presidents are chosen by, and are responsible to, the people. When men thus chosen prove recreant to their trust, popular odium is the legitimate consequence. No public man can disregard the public will and be successful. It is a power which, when aroused, becomes the paramount force, crushing those whom it smites. But its condemnation is heavier and more abiding when the occasion which has called it forth is not mere neglect or perversion, but deep-dyed treachery and injustice. History is filled with examples of those whose elevated positions have the better enabled them to accomplish their infamous designs.

But perhaps the most striking feature of popular ostracism is its severity. It spares neither age nor rank. Like the withering blast of the Sirocco or deadly poison of the nightshade, it destroys the fame and poisons the cup of its victims. Its terrible and unrelenting denunciation follows to-day the ex-prisoner of Fortress Monroe, surrounding him with the ghosts of Andersonville and Belle Isle, and dooming him to that companionship forever.

But perhaps no better example of a person becoming popularly ostracised can be found than in the person of Andrew Johnson. If he had labored to carry out the policy of the lamented Lincoln, which was at the same time the policy of the American people, he could scarcely have failed to render his name illustrious. At the time of his election he had the sympathy of every loyal American heart. But he has proved recreant to his trust, and like Arnold, treacherous to his friends, nay, more than this, by his acts and language, he has paid a premium for treason, and set a price upon the head of loyalty. This man now stands before the bar of the nation, and whether he receives the full sentence of the law or not, yet there is a more terrible punishment which even now has gone out against him. He goes forth detested by the wise, and the laughing-stock of fools. He has incurred upon himself the maddening odium of the American people. Popular ostracism becomes fulfilled in him. He is the first impeached president, and the first, who, with his own hands and with the constitution as the instrument, has committed political suicide. P. E. B.

The Diamond Dickens.

A TALE OF TWO CITIES, AND GREAT EXPECTATIONS.—The twelfth volume of the Diamond Edition of Dickens's Works contains the two stories named above. The "Tale of Two Cities" pictures in a most powerful and graphic manner the causes and events of the French Revolution. It is thoroughly dramatic, and, though painting some terrible scenes, is inspired by a genuinely humane spirit. "Great Expectations" is a story of private life, with plenty of humor, an ingenious and original plot, and is one of the most effective stories, both in narrative and character, ever written.

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Eight Knights of the Rose Croix degree, the eighteenth of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in Masonry, met at the Merchants' Hotel in St. Paul on Holy Thursday. It is an indispensable rule of the order that the Knights of the Rose Croix should observe Holy Thursday as a festival by dining together. So imperative is this rule that two Knights, living at the distance of eight leagues apart, must meet half way to dine together—should a Knight Rose Croix find himself alone on Holy Thursday he must observe the festival dining alone, uniting in spirit with the Rose Croix Knights of the world.

A WONDERFUL VISION.

An Authentic Story of the Supernatural.

A late French paper publishes the following and vouches for its truthfulness: "A young German lady, recently arrived, with a party of friends, at one of the most renowned hotels in Paris, and occupied an apartment on the first floor, furnished with unusual magnificence. Here she lay awake, long after the hotel was wrapped in slumber, contemplating by the faint glimmer of her night lamp, the costly ornaments of the room until suddenly the folding doors opposite her bed, which she had secured, flew open, and the chamber was filled with a bright light as of day. In the midst of this, there entered a handsome young man, in the undress uniform of the French navy. Taking a chair from the bedside, he placed it in the middle of the room, sat down, took from his pocket a pistol with a remarkable red butt and lock, put it to his forehead, and firing, fell back, apparently dead! Simultaneously with the explosion the room became dark and still, but a low soft voice uttered these words: 'Say a word for his soul.' The young lady had fallen back not insensible, but in a far more painful state—a kind of cataleptic trance, and thus remained fully conscious of all she had imagined to have occurred, but unable to move tongue or hand, until 7 o'clock on the following morning, at which hour her maid, in obedience to orders, knocked at the door.

"Finding no reply was given, the maid went away, and returned at 8, in company with another domestic, repeated summons. Still no answer, and again, after a little consultation, the poor young lady was delivered over for another hour to her agonized thoughts. At 9 the doors were forced, and, at the same moment, the power of speech and movement returned. She shrieked out to the attendants that a man had shot himself there a few hours before, and still lay upon the floor. Observing nothing unusual, they concluded that it was the excitement consequent upon some terrible dream. She was, therefore, placed in another department, and with great difficulty persuaded that the scene she so minutely described had no foundation in reality. Half an hour later the hotel proprietor desired an interview with a gentleman of the party, and declared that the scene so strangely enacted had actually occurred three nights before.—A young French officer had ordered the best room in the hotel, and there terminated his life, using for the purpose a pistol answering the description mentioned. The body and the pistol still lay at the dead-house for identification, and the gentleman, proceeding thither, saw the head of the unfortunate man exhibiting the wound in the forehead, as in the vision."

FAIRMONT, April 10th, 1868.

From our Regular Correspondent.

ED. FREE HOMESTEAD.—Nearly every day I see strange faces in our village; every Sabbath at church I notice strangers in the congregation.

There are lively times in the claim business now. I hear of quite a number that have been jumped of late. The claim entered by Henry P. Peterson has been applied for by F. Threelhouse, and that entered by John Mead has been applied for by Barney, step-son of Alfred Hill; and quite a number of others have been jumped of late. It would be a superfluity for me to mention the instances, as you have the advertising to do and of course are posted in these matters.

We have received more immigration this spring than we received all last season.

The foundation of Ward's office, in the lot north of the post office, is laid. James Seegar is very sick—was taken quite suddenly a few days ago.

There is more sickness in the county than usual, this spring.

Our farmers generally have their wheat sown.

The wind blows hard and cold this A. M. E. T.

God lades the wings of private prayer with the sweetest, chiefest and choicest blessings. Ah! how often hath God smiled upon the poor Christian at the beginning of private prayer, spoken peace to him in the midst of his prayer, and filled him with light, joy and assurance, upon its close!

"Papa, has Mr. Smith's eyes got better?"

"Why do you ask such a question, my boy?"

"Because I heard mother say that at a party the other evening, Mr. Smith's eyes followed her all around the room."

The new constitution for Georgia makes Atlanta the State Capital.

Tom Thump proposes to retire.

The Long Island gentry have had a fox hunt.

Swinnburne, the poet, is twenty-five years old.

Harriet Beecher Stowe is in Richmond, Va.

Philadelphia is thirty miles in circumference.

Americans are the only foreigners now in Rome.

Hong Kong is having a season of Italian Opera.

Dan Rice's "sacred cow" is dead. It cost \$20,000.

The sewers of Detroit are choked with hoop skirts.

The St. Nicholas hotel, without the stores, rents for \$80,000.

Nine million dollars were donated to American College last year.

A California Chinaman is doing profitable business in fattening rats.

A book of poems by a slave is attracting much attention in Cuba.

Astor and the Stetsons are to spend \$100,000 each on the Astor House.

Barnum don't know whether to rebuild or to leave the show business.

The new Jewish Synagogue building in New York will cost \$1,000,000.

Reading bad books is as dangerous to the mind as poison is to the body.

We better love to see those to whom we do good, than those who do good to us.

Report says Parisian ladies are beginning to use the cigarettes at the dinner table.

If a man has a tiger by the tail, which is the best course for his personal safety—to hold on, or to let go?

Jones knocked on the door of an assessor of internal revenue, and was told to come in. He responded with an income.

"We judge ourselves," say Longfellow, "by what we feel capable of doing, while others judge us by what we have already done."

We always find excuses for our own misconduct, but never can palliate the errors of others, even though they err from less cause than ourselves.

Miss Hosmer receives \$10,000 in gold for her statue of Benton. The statue is in bronze, weighs three and a half tons, and is ten feet high.

On the fence of a graveyard in Gloucester, Mass., is the inscription, in large white letters: "Use —'s bit-ters if you would keep out of here."

Appropos of an announcement that a distinguished minister is writing a life of Christ, an exchange deliciously remarks that "there is an excellent history of Christ in a work called the New Testament, which is not likely to be improved upon."

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons intending to teach in the County of Fairbault the ensuing year that the public examination of Teachers will be held in the several Commissioner Districts of said county as follows, to wit:—

Com. Dist. No. 1.—At the More school house: a Pilot Grove, April 24th.

2. At the school house in Blue Earth City, April 9th and 10th.

3. At the school house in Walnut Lake, 15th and 16th.

4. At the school house in Winnebago City, 13th and 14th.

5. At the school house in Minnesota Lake, 17th and 18th.

The examinations will be conducted by written and oral questions and answers. A portion of the time will be occupied in giving Normal Instruction to the applicants.

Teachers will come provided with the National Fifth Reader, Robinson's Practical Arithmetic, pencils and paper, and be present at the commencement of the examination and remain until the close.

N. B. No Certificate will be granted to any parties except upon satisfactory evidence of inability to attend the Public Examination.

A. H. FELSEY,
County Superintendent of Schools.

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There is a queer story extant of a Capuchin priest who undertook to make soup with a pebble. First he boiled the stone; then he begged for a little butter, then for a few herbs, and so on, until he gradually "fixed up" quite a nourishing mess. This was, undoubtedly very ingenious; but this good father was left far behind by another barefooted friar, who, when in poverty, resolved not only to get a good dinner, but credit for a miracle into the bargain. He put the yolk of several eggs in a hollow cane, and stopped the end with butter; then, walking into an alms-house, he begged to fry a single egg for his dinner. The smallness of his request excited curiosity, and they gave him a morsel of hard. He stirred the lad with his cane, and to the wonder of the surrounding peasants, produced a handsome omelet. This miracle established his fame. He sold omelets and grew rich by his ingenuity.

Hasty people drink the wine of life scalding hot. Death is the only master who takes his servants without a character. Content is the mother of good digestion. When pride and poverty marry together, their children are want and crime. Where hard work kills ten, idleness kills a hundred men. Folly and pride walk side by side. He that borrows binds himself with his neighbor's rope. He that is too good for good service, is too good for his neighbor's company. Friends and photographers never flatter. Wisdom is always at home to those who call. The firmest friends ask the fewest favors.

"Doctor, kin you tell what's the matter with my child's nose?" She keeps a pickin' of it."

"Yes, marm, it's probably an irritation of the gastric mucous membrane communicating a sympathetic titillation to the ophthalmium of the echearian."

"There, now, that's just what I told Becky; but she wouldn't believe me."

A boy with post-office pantaloons and ventilated hat, rushed into a drug store in Bellevue Falls, the other day, with a dipper in his hand and exclaimed; "Doctor, mother sent me down to shotecary pop, quick'n n' blazes, coz bub shoke the dickens with the pipen chax, and she wants a mumble of pollygolly in this dipper, coz we had'n't bot a gottle handy, and the kint pny's got the bine witters in't. Got any?"

As a man was driving cattle and wishing to alter their course, he called out to a boy, at a short distance, to turn them. Says the boy, they are right side out now. Well, head them then. They have all heads on. Whose boy are you? I don't know; I'll go and ask mother.

IN REVERSED ORDER.—The Louisville Democrat reports a happy old darkey as exclaiming: "Bres do Lord, hallelujah, dat dis ole nigger should hb to see dis ere happy time when white men mus' hab a pass to move about, and nigger go where him please wid out one. Bres do Lord."

One exceedingly warm day in June a neighbor met an old man and remarked that it was very hot. "Yes," said Joe, "if it was not for one thing, I should say we were going to have a thaw." What is that? inquired his friend. "There's nothing froze," says Joe. The man went on his way.

A dealer in horse flesh sold to a gentleman of little experience in such matters, a steed as perfectly "without faults." Next day the buyer came back in a great fury, because his groom found out that the "faultless" was blind in the right eye. "Why," replied the sly jobber, "that is not the horse's fault; it is only his misfortune."

A matrimonially inclined couple, in the rural districts of Indiana, could not wait for the minister who was coming to marry them, but went out on the road to meet him, where, says a local paper, "they were united, with the blue canopy of heaven overhead and a corn field on either hand."

It is told of a Connecticut field officer, better acquainted with farming than with soldiering, that when circumstances placed him in command of his regiment at Matanzas, he wished to oblique his column in marching, and gave the order, "Haw around that mud puddle."

A stupid fellow tried to annoy a popular preacher by asking whether the fattest calf of the parable was male or female. "Female, to be sure," was the reply; "for I see the male yet alive in the flesh before me."

Infants count by minutes; children by days; men by years; comets by revolutions of ages; nations by revolutions of systems; the Eternal meditates in a perpetual present.

A schoolmaster asked a fair pupil—"Can you decline a kiss?" "Yes, sir," she replied, dropping a perplexed courtesy. "I can, but I hate to, pluggily."

The contemplation of celestial things will make a man both think and speak more sublimely and magnificently when he descends to human affairs.—Cicero.

FIDDLESTICKS.—A word strongly expressive of contempt. It crushes all reply. When a lady once says "Fiddlesticks," he is a bold man who utters another word.

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Isaac Marks.

Mankato, Minn., Feb. 19, 1868.

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THE FREE HOMESTEAD.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 1898.

This paper has a larger circulation than any other paper in Winnebago County, and is the only paper in the county, which is printed entirely at home.

Impeachment.

The trial of Johnson is hastening as slowly as could be wished for by his most sanguine friends. Nevertheless, it seems to be more than probable that he will be impeached.

The following testimony was given by old Ad Interim, the genial grand father whom Andrew Johnson would have made Secretary of War. It is very correct, and is a splendid photograph of the truthfulness of the gray old sinner.

Gen. Thomas was then recalled and examined by Mr. Stanbery. The President told him to take charge of the War Office, instead of take possession. The witness made this a correction of his previous testimony. He then went on to make other corrections, all of which amounted to a contradiction of what he testified to yesterday.

The prisoner was cross-examined by Mr. Butler.

Question—"How do you correct your testimony? Have you a memorandum?"

Answer—"I have not."

Question—"How, then, can you fix facts and dates different from yesterday?"

Answer—"I have reflected since yesterday."

Question—"Did the President, all ways tell you to take charge of the War Office?"

Answer—"He did."

Question—"Why didn't you say so yesterday?"

Answer—"Because I did not think."

Question—"Did you call Kaiserer a liar and murderer?"

Answer—"I did tell him he was a liar." [Laughter.]

Question—"Did you say he was a murderer?"

Answer—"I don't recollect—I may have said so." [Laughter.]

Question—"Did you tell Mr. E. B. Johnson that you would have Stanton out if it sinks the ship?"

Answer—"Never, sir."

Question—"Did you have a conversation with E. B. Johnson?"

Answer—"Yes, I saw him at my house."

Question—"When was that?"

Answer—"Can't fix the date."

Question—"Were you joking then?"

Answer—"Certainly." [Great Laughter.]

Question—"Do you always talk jokingly in that way?"

Answer—"Sometimes." [Laughter.]

Question—"Did you say so to Johnson?"

Answer—"I don't know—Johnson knows better than I do, if I did." [Laughter.]

Question—"Did you say anything to Johnson about getting Stanton out?"

Answer—"I never said I would use force against Stanton."

Question—"Then you were joking?"

Answer—"That's all." [Laughter.]

Question—"That's the only explanation you can give about it?"

Answer—"Yes, I think that's sufficient." [Laughter.]

Question—"Did you talk with any body about the matter since yesterday?"

Answer—"I talked with several persons. They said they were glad to hear my testimony." [Laughter.]

Question—"Did you talk with any body else?"

Answer—"Yes, I talked with Gen. Townsend."

Question—"Did you receive a letter from Secretary Stanton on the twenty-first of February?"

Answer—"I did not."

Question—"When did you receive that letter?"

Answer—"On the 22d."

Question—"Then all you said yesterday about what took place on the 21st is not so?"

Answer—"All that was not so." [Great laughter all over the Senate.]

Question—"Did you not swear yesterday that the President told you to go and take possession of the War Department?"

Answer—"I did."

Question—"Was it true?"

Answer—"No, it was not." [Renewed laughter.]

Question—"Did you read over and correct your testimony?"

Answer—"I did."

Question—"And then you signed it, Thomas, Adjutant General?"

Answer—"I did."

The steamer Sea Bird was recently burned on Lake Michigan when off Waukegan. Some sixty or seventy lives were lost. Only three men escaped death, and the real number who perished will probably never be known.

Hon. Thomas D'Arcy McGee, an influential Canadian statesman, was assassinated at Ottawa, the Capital of Canada, at midnight, on the 7th inst.

John Magee recently died at his residence in Watkins, N. Y. He was the owner of property estimated to be worth \$40,000,000.

The testimony for the defense in the impeachment trial closed last Saturday.

Church Panic.

"Good Friday" proved to be a sad affair for those people who attended the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Chicago on the evening of the 19th inst.

The house was filled with people of either sex and nearly every age, all the seats in the galleries as well as those in the body of the house being occupied.

At the hour above mentioned, as the solemn service was being intoned, a crash near the center of the building was heard. An abutment which supported the floor had settled a few inches, producing a sound that seemed to portend the destruction of the entire building.

Immediately following the crashing noise came the cry of fire, uttered, it is thought, by some person or persons in the gallery. These sounds and cries were sufficient to produce a complete panic, and then ensued a scene of confusion and terror which baffles description. The entire assemblage made a rush for the doors.

Most of those on the main floor succeeded in effecting an exit from the building without much difficulty; but those in the galleries did not fare so well. Notwithstanding the loud protestations of several persons near the altar that there was no danger, the crowd in the galleries surged toward the stairways, which were immediately blocked up with struggling, suffering, terror-stricken human beings, and all thought of anything but self-preservation seemed to vanish from the mind of every one. Nor were any scruples as to the means of securing their own personal safety. While the most unmerciful jostling and crushing were going on in the stairways, and helpless women and children were being trampled down like insects, strong, heavy men leaped over the railing of the galleries and dropped on the heads of the masses below.

Finally, and before the building was emptied, the panic partly subsided, and it became evident to all that there was really no occasion for such a demonstration. Meanwhile, an alarm of fire had been rung from box No. 12, which had the effect to bring to the scene a large number of policemen, as well as private citizens, who, with the aid of the Catholic clergymen present, succeeded in quieting the throng. But the results of the stampede were found to be terrible.

Three women were killed outright, their lives crushed out by the heels of men; another so seriously injured that her life is despaired of, while five women and one man were more or less bruised. The dead and wounded were at once removed into the convent adjoining the church. A large number of physicians were at once on the spot, and rendered most efficient assistance to the sufferers, whose friends, agonized with grief and fear, hastened in to learn their condition.

Andrew Johnson's Policy.

"Occasional" (J. W. Forney) writing to the Philadelphia Press, thus forecasts Andrew Johnson's policy, in case of his acquittal by the Senate:

His first step will be to call upon the rebel States to choose Presidential electors; and, as these will vote for the Democratic candidate (himself, unquestionably, if he beats impeachment), he will insist upon their being counted by the House of Representatives in February, 1899; and especially if, by adding them to the votes secured for the Democratic candidate in the adhering States, they make a majority of the whole Electoral College.

I have repeatedly foreshadowed this infernal plot. We are now directly in the forefront of it, with a Republican Senate between it and the people.

The cry of the rebel Democracy, North and South, is the "unconditional restoration" of the insurgent States. If Andrew Johnson remains, under the sanction of a Senatorial acquittal, he will again declare them restored; he will again denounce reconstruction as a gain denance, surrounded by his oath-bound assassins, and stimulated by the utter demoralization and dismay of the loyal people, he will demand the counting of the electoral votes of these rebel States; and if that is refused by the present House he will employ the lay-out, according to his repeated declarations.

This is the plot in brief. I leave out the historical accompaniments—like the sufferings and services of the Union millions of the South, which entitled them to complete possession of the whole Southern country, and the friendship of the traitors, which entitled them, if not to death, at least to utter and perpetual disfranchisement.

Mrs. Myra Clark Gaines, after twenty-seven years of litigation, by the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, comes into possession of a property valued at \$5,137,000.

The last rail on the line of the Union Pacific Railroad to the summit of the Black Hills was laid on the 16th.

George Washington presided over the first anti-slavery meeting ever held in this country, in 1793.

The Chronicles of Elm Creek.

1 Now it came to pass in the third year of the reign of Andy, the Little, over the thirty and six provinces,—Marshall being Governor of the province of Minnesota—that there went forth a decree from the Governor, that all the people should meet in their several cities, to select wise and prudent men to go up to the great city, even St. Paul to make laws.

2 Then, Aaron the innkeeper who dwelt in the city of the Pleasant Mountain, which is in the land of Martin, beyond the Blue Earth, said unto his brethren, "Send me, I pray you, unto the council of the wise men; then shall the iron horse run to and from the city of the Pleasant Mountain, and we shall be exalted and increased in riches."

3 And his brethren hearkened unto him, and said: great is Aaron the innkeeper.

4 But it came to pass that when the inhabitants who dwelt beside Elm Creek heard this, they said one to another, hath not this Aaron been aforetime to the council of the wise men? Dost not he seek the prosperity of his own city only, and forget the other cities of the land of Martin, and are not his pockets full of postage stamps? and his shelves laden with parchment? Nay, but we will not have Aaron to speak for us in the council of the wise.

5 Let us rather send Alpheus who dwelleth by the stream called Middle Creek. And the people answered amen. So be it, and behold, Alpheus went to the council of the wise.

6 Then Aaron the innkeeper, was sorely grieved, and spake unto his brethren, saying: "Lo, I fear the glory will never come to the city of the Pleasant Mountain."

7 And the wrath of Aaron and the wrath of his brethren waxed hot against the men of Elm Creek, and also all they who dwelt in the Pleasant Mountain were filled with cholera, and said wherewithal now shall we be avenged upon the men of Elm Creek?

8 Now there dwelt among the inhabitants of Elm Creek, one Philo, the miser, and he also hated the men of Elm Creek.

9 For afore time, Philo dwelt in the land of Nutmegs, which is beside the salt sea, and there he burned the houses of his brethren with fire, and did exceedingly wickedly, inasmuch that the Nutmegites took Philo and shut him up in prison.

10 But when he had escaped thence, he fled and came even to Elm Creek, and abode there.

11 Now Philo had wood and great trees in abundance, and he said unto the people, "Come ye and dwell on the plain beside Elm Creek." And when they said unto Philo wherewithal shall we warm ourselves, he answered and said unto them, I will verily sell to you timber and wood for so much current money with the merchant.

12 But it came to pass when the people had taken up their abode beside Elm Creek, that Philo, the miser, hardened his heart and said unto them: "Depart from me, I know not what ye say." And when they answering, said unto him: Lo, our wives and our little ones perish with cold, and behold now we bring thee money as thou saidst, then Philo answered them: "What is that to me? See ye to that. Behold now, are not all these trees mine, and shall I not do with them as I list?"

13 And it was told of certain men of Elm Creek, that in those days, they went stealthily and took wood off from the land of Philo, the miser, and their wives and little ones rejoiced in the warmth thereof.

14 Then Philo, the miser, was filled with bitterness and with malice. His mouth also was like unto the mouth of a sewer, and sent forth all manner of villenous, likewise he wrought subtilly that by any means he might destroy the people of Elm Creek, yea and also he fell upon their cattle and slew them and burnt their houses and their stacks with fire.

15 And when his heart was yet more filled with hatred, so that he could rest neither day nor night, that he took fire and put it into the stacks of Lewis, the mail carrier who was aforetime from the Mountains of Granite afar off.

16 Then the people of Elm Creek took Philo, the miser, and brought him before the Magistrate and the Magistrate said unto Philo, "If now some one of the people will become surety for thee in the sum of so many shekels of silver, that thou wilt present thyself before Horace when he shall come this way (for he is a wise man and judicious the land, uprightly), then

for this time thou shalt depart in peace but if otherwise, thou shalt be put in ward until the judge call for thee.

17 And when no man of the people would be surety for Philo, and it was noised abroad among the inhabitants of Mankato that Philo was to be shut up in ward in their city, they said one to another: Behold, Philo, the miser, cometh to be in ward among us—peradventure he will escape therefrom and will burn our city with fire, and do to us as he has done to the people of Elm Creek and to the Nutmegites; tarry we pray you till we make our jail tight and strong.

18 So when Philo could not be put in ward, he was sent to lodge with one Orrin, who being a prentice in business, permitted Philo to go to and fro in the earth, and walk up and down in it.

19 Then came Philo to the chief men of the city of the Pleasant Mountains, to wit: unto Aaron, the innkeeper, and to Hill the son of Cain, and to Legs, whom the Greeks call Shanks, and to Go-off, and to Birds of the like feather and said unto them: "Behold, I also hate the men of Elm Creek as even do ye. Let us make a covenant together that we may be avenged upon them."

20 Then Aaron, the innkeeper, and they that were with him, hearkened to the saying of Philo, and spake comfort ing words unto him and said: "Behold we are with thee, our people shall be thy people and thy Gods shall be our Gods."

21 Now this do thou; bring many suits at the law against the men of Elm Creek, and behold Legs, who is called Shanks, and Hill the son of Cain shall stand by thee—and if peradventure any word chokest thee, they shall speak it for thee, for their throats are like open sepulchres—we also will be thy judges—so shall much script come into our city and we shall be avenged upon our enemies.

22 Then went Philo, the miser, and caused to be brought unto the city of the Pleasant Mountain, one Michael the Brunswickite, who dwelt beside Elm Creek.

23 And when they had brought Michael before the judges, who were inhabitants of the Pleasant Mountain, Philo opened his mouth and spake unto them saying:

24 "Lo, this Michael hath smitten me sorely in the house of Oliver, the post master; yea I say unto you he hath poured out my blood like water."

25 But when they had called Oliver who was accounted a just man in whose mouth were found no falsehoods; he steadily averred that the things which Philo spake were not true, neither any part of them.

26 But when the judges who were six, consulted among themselves, they said one to another: Though we know that Philo is a liar from the beginning hitherto, and that he openeth his mouth only to make a steuch, yet that we may be revenged upon the men of Elm Creek, let us say that Philo was indeed smitten.

27 And when they told their minds to the ruler of the court, which was Go-off, he answered them saying: "Yea, verily Philo was smitten sore, yet, peradventure Michael will bring this thing before Horace, the judge, who is upright, and we then shall be accounted either as knaves or fools; let us therefore punish Michael only a little, and that perchance he will bear. Nevertheless Michael did appeal unto Horace when he shall come this way."

28 And many others of the people of Elm Creek did Philo bring before the magistrate in the city of the Pleasant Mountain.

29 But Hill, the son of Cain, said within himself, "I neither fear God nor regard man, yet what love have I to Philo, the miser, or what hatred have I to the men of Elm Creek?"

30 And now inasmuch as I do valiantly for Philo with the jaw bone of an ass, Lo, he shall give to me his water cisterns which grow beside Elm Creek, that I may sell them to the men of that place. So shall I make friends of those men, which I need considerably, and get to myself money which I need yet more.

31 But when it came to the ears of Aaron, the innkeeper, (for his ears were long,) what Hill the son of Cain, purposed in his heart, he said: "O thou son of Cain, thou shalt not do this thing."

32 For then of a verity should good come to my enemies, even to those who kept me back from the council of the wise men; yea, and peradventure they, their wives and little ones may be warm and flourish even more abundantly than this city of the Pleasant Mountains.

33 Moreover, for the exceeding wisdom which I possessed when aforetime I was in the great council, I presented myself with a copy of the decrees of the lawgivers who were before me, for which the people paid, and in that book I will seek after a way to prevent thee from doing this great wickedness."

34 And moreover, it came to pass that when the sons of God presented themselves before the Lord in the city of the Pleasant Mountain, that Philo, the miser, came also among them.

35 And he put on a sad countenance and made loud prayers that he might be heard of the people; and he lifted up his voice and said:

36 "O ye dwellers in the Pleasant Mountains, it is known to you all how I, which am an old man, withered and dried up, am persecuted by the inhabitants of Elm Creek; even as the prophets were persecuted, so also am I. Yea also, and as Ahab coveted the Vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, so those wicked people of Elm Creek covet my churches which grow by the water side."

37 Yea also, my head is waters, and my eyes are fountains of tears when I think of my water cisterns. Yea, I say unto you these are facts."

38 And the people of the city of the Pleasant Mountain, drank up the words of Philo, the miser, even as the sow drinketh up the swill.

39 But it came to pass on a certain day, that there came a man to the city of the Pleasant Mountains, which spake to the people thereof, saying: "Where now is Philo, the miser, and where now is Hill, the son of Cain? Show them unto me."

40 Then he took Philo, the miser, and Hill the son of Cain, and carried them and lodged them in a strong ward, where they remain unto this day.

41 But the people of the Pleasant Mountains wept sore for that which was done, and said: "Alas! alas! for Philo, the miser, wherewith now shall our city be enriched?"

42 And they bought crapes of the merchants, wherewith, they might mourn, until there was no more crape that they could buy.

43 And they spake one to another, saying: "Let us now set apart one day in each year, even the seven and twentieth day of the month, February, and on that day let us eat no meat, neither muskrats nor smoked buffalo fish, for on that day was Philo, the miser, taken away from us."

A Timely Work.

It is announced that the house of J. B. Burr & Co., of Hartford have in press a work entitled "Grant as a Soldier and a Statesman," which will be ready for publication shortly. The title intimates its contents. It will no doubt be eagerly sought for as soon as it appears. The country is desirous of some accurate account of General Grant's whole course in the field of politics, as well as of battle. Ample means for illustrating his opinions upon the questions of the day, exist in his reports, letters and acts; though this fact is generally lost sight of. If the materials are properly used, it will appear that in the field of politics as well as war, General Grant's forte is action and his "headquarters" always properly located—that he is as reliable as a Statesman, as he is a Soldier. The name of the author has not yet been announced, but we understand that the work is by one of the ablest and most conscientious literary gentlemen of the country, every way fitted for the task, and enjoying peculiar advantages, deriving the most important part of his materials from headquarters.

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Miss Kate Dix, daughter of the American Ambassador, and Mr. Walsh a well known merchant in the Japan trade, were married in Paris on the 17th inst.

Maynard Nutting, son of Surveyor General Nutting, died at Faribault on the 15th inst. He was about 21 years of age.

Republican State Convention.

The undersigned, consulting the Republican State Central Committee, do appoint that a Convention of the Republican party of Minnesota be held at St. Paul, on WEDNESDAY, the THIRTEENTH DAY OF MAY NEXT, at 12 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing eight delegates to the Republican National Convention, to be held in Chicago on Wednesday, the 30th day of May next, and also to nominate four Presidential Electors.

In accordance with the call of the National Republican Committee, we invite the co-operation of all citizens who rejoice that our great civil war has happily terminated to the discounture of the rebellion; who would hold fast the unity and integrity of the Republic, and maintain its paramount right to defend to the uttermost its existence, whether imperilled by secret conspiracy or armed force; who are in favor of an economical administration of the public expenditures; of the complete extermination of the principles and policy of slavery, and of the speedy reorganization of those States whose governments were destroyed by the rebellion, and their permanent restoration to their proper practical relations with the Union in accordance with the true principles of Republican government.

The following apportionment of the several counties is established on the basis adopted by the last State Convention, except as to Wahshaw county, which is based on the Republican vote of 1896:

Ancker.....2	Morrison.....1
Benton.....2	Mower.....3
Blue Earth.....6	Mille Lac.....1
Brown.....2	Monongalia.....1
Carver.....3	Nicollet.....1
Chicago.....2	Olustee.....8
Crow Wing.....1	Pine.....1
Dakota.....2	Polk.....1
Dodge.....4	Ramsey.....6
Douglas.....2	Redwood.....1
Faribault.....4	Renville.....1
Fillmore.....4	Rice.....1
Frederick.....7	Saint Louis.....1
Goodhue.....8	Scott.....2
Hennepin.....11	Shelburne.....1
Houston.....3	Sibley.....1
Ipswich.....1	Stearns.....4
Jackson.....1	Steele.....4
Kandiyohi.....1	Todd.....1
Lake.....1	Wabasha.....6
Le Sueur.....3	Wadena.....3
Lincoln.....2	Washington.....3
McLeod.....2	Winona.....1
Marshall.....1	Watonwan.....1
Martin.....2	Wright.....4
Meeker.....2	

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St. Paul, January 22, 1898.

Republican County Convention.

There will be a Republican County Convention held at Blue Earth City, on the 24 day of May, A. D. 1898, at one o'clock P. M., to choose Delegates to attend the Republican State Convention, to be held at St. Paul, on Wednesday, the 19th day of May.

Each town is entitled to one Delegate for every 20 (and for every fraction of ten or more) Republican votes cast for Governor at the General Election held in Nov., 1897, as follows to wit:

Seely.....1	Dakota.....2
Elmore.....4	Prescott.....2
Philp Grove.....1	Yerxa.....1
Foster.....2	Doubar.....1
Brush Creek.....2	Minnesota Lake.....2
Fairbaird.....3	Lura.....2
Blue Earth City.....7	Guthrie.....1
Jo Davis.....2	Winnebago City.....5
Walcut Lake.....2	

ALLEN SHULTIS,
Chairman County Committee.

Indian Relic.

The Red Wing Argos of the 19th inst. says:—

A few days ago a boy named Isaac Alley, while digging on College Bluff, uncovered the bones of an Indian, with which he found a Madison medal, a buck-knife, and other trinkets. The medal is of solid silver, three inches in diameter, and one-eighth of an inch thick, weighing about six ounces, with plain rimmed edges. On the face is a raised band of Madison, with an inscription around it: "James Madison, President of the United States, A. D. 1809."

On the reverse is a hatchet and pipe crossed, and clasped hands underneath with an inscription: "Peace and Friendship." One of the clasped hands shows the wrist covered by a cont sleeve, the other wrist not covered. It is not certain to whom the medalion belonged, but Dr. Sweeney remembers hearing of one Tam-a-ha, a friendly Sioux of 1812, who was about that time and before, a mail carrier to and from Fort Snelling, and who was presented such a medal at Washington. Tam-a-ha lived at Red Wing, and died about 1850.

The boy sold the medalion to an admirer of curiosities for \$50.

Railroad Disaster.

On the 15th inst, four rear cars of the Cincinnati express bound east, on the Erie railroad, left the track at Carr's Rock, fifteen miles east of Port Jarvis, and rolled down an embankment one hundred feet high, entirely demolishing the cars, killing twenty-seven persons, and wounding double that number. The impression prevailed that the accident was caused by a broken rail.

Robberies were committed after the disaster at Carr's Rock, by the passengers who were saved by being in the forward cars. Large sums have been taken, and gold watches and other valuables, from the pockets of the dead, and rings torn from the fingers of the wounded.

In one instance a file was used to take a diamond ring from the finger of a lady who was at the time conscious enough only to be able afterwards to tell the story.

The people at the scene say they could not protect the sufferers from this sacrilege.

Charles L. Stewart, of White Plains, New York, dropped dead on the street. He was recently married, and leaves his

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55 inch 28.00 57.00 114.00 228.00 342.00 570.00
56 inch 28.50 58.00 116.00 232.00 348.00 580.00
57 inch 29.00 59.00 118.00 236.00 354.00 590.00
58 inch 29.50 60.00 120.00 240.00 360.00 600.00
59 inch 30.00 61.00 122.00 244.00 366.00 610.00
60 inch 30.50 62.00 124.00 248.00 372.00 620.00
61 inch 31.00 63.00 126.00 252.00 378.00 630.00
62 inch 31.50 64.00 128.00 256.00 384.00 640.00
63 inch 32.00 65.00 130.00 260.00 390.00 650.00
64 inch 32.50 66.00 132.00 264.00 396.00 660.00
65 inch 33.00 67.00 134.00 268.00 402.00 670.00
66 inch 33.50 68.00 136.00 272.00 408.00 680.00
67 inch 34.00 69.00 138.00 276.00 414.00 690.00
68 inch 34.50 70.00 140.00 280.00 420.00 700.00
69 inch 35.00 71.00 142.00 284.00 426.00 710.00
70 inch 35.50 72.00 144.00 288.00 432.00 720.00
71 inch 36.00 73.00 146.00 292.00 438.00 730.00
72 inch 36.50 74.00 148.00 296.00 444.00 740.00
73 inch 37.00 75.00 150.00 300.00 450.00 750.00
74 inch 37.50 76.00 152.00 304.00 456.00 760.00
75 inch 38.00 77.00 154.00 308.00 462.00 770.00
76 inch 38.50 78.00 156.00 312.00 468.00 780.00
77 inch 39.00 79.00 158.00 316.00 474.00 790.00
78 inch 39.50 80.00 160.00 320.00 480.00 800.00
79 inch 40.00 81.00 162.00 324.00 486.00 810.00
80 inch 40.50 82.00 164.00 328.00 492.00 820.00
81 inch 41.00 83.00 166.00 332.00 498.00 830.00
82 inch 41.50 84.00 168.00 336.00 504.00 840.00
83 inch 42.00 85.00 170.00 340.00 510.00 850.00
84 inch 42.50 86.00 172.00 344.00 516.00 860.00
85 inch 43.00 87.00 174.00 348.00 522.00 870.00
86 inch 43.50 88.00 176.00 352.00 528.00 880.00
87 inch 44.00 89.00 178.00 356.00 534.00 890.00
88 inch 44.50 90.00 180.00 360.00 540.00 900.00
89 inch 45.00 91.00 182.00 364.00 546.00 910.00
90 inch 45.50 92.00 184.00 368.00 552.00 920.00
91 inch 46.00 93.00 186.00 372.00 558.00 930.00
92 inch 46.50 94.00 188.00 376.00 564.00 940.00
93 inch 47.00 95.00 190.00 380.00 570.00 950.00
94 inch 47.50 96.00 192.00 384.00 576.00 960.00
95 inch 48.00 97.00 194.00 388.00 582.00 970.00
96 inch 48.50 98.00 196.00 392.00 588.00 980.00
97 inch 49.00 99.00 198.00 396.00 594.00 990.00
98 inch 49.50 100.00 200.00 400.00 600.00 1000.00
99 inch 50.00 101.00 202.00 404.00 606.00 1010.00
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103 inch 52.00 105.00 210.00 420.00 630.00 1050.00
104 inch 52.50 106.00 212.00 424.00 636.00 1060.00
105 inch 53.00 107.00 214.00 428.00 642.00 1070.00
106 inch 53.50 108.00 216.00 432.00 648.00 1080.00
107 inch 54.00 109.00 218.00 436.00 654.00 1090.00
108 inch 54.50 110.00 220.00 440.00 660.00 1100.00
109 inch 55.00 111.00 222.00 444.00 666.00 1110.00
110 inch 55.50 112.00 224.00 448.00 672.00 1120.00
111 inch 56.00 113.00 226.00 452.00 678.00 1130.00
112 inch 56.50 114.00 228.00 456.00 684.00 1140.00
113 inch 57.00 115.00 230.00 460.00 690.00 1150.00
114 inch 57.50 116.00 232.00 464.00 696.00 1160.00
115 inch 58.00 117.00 234.00 468.00 702.00 1170.00
116 inch 58.50 118.00 236.00 472.00 708.00 1180.00
117 inch 59.00 119.00 238.00 476.00 714.00 1190.00
118 inch 59.50 120.00 240.00 480.00 720.00 1200.00
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121 inch 61.00 123.00 246.00 492.00 738.00 1230.00
122 inch 61.50 124.00 248.00 496.00 744.00 1240.00
123 inch 62.00 125.00 250.00 500.00 750.00 1250.00
124 inch 62.50 126.00 252.00 504.00 756.00 1260.00
125 inch 63.00 127.00 254.00 508.00 762.00 1270.00
126 inch 63.50 128.00 256.00 512.00 768.00 1280.00
127 inch 64.00 129.00 258.00 516.00 774.00 1290.00
128 inch 64.50 130.00 260.00 520.00 780.00 1300.00
129 inch 65.00 131.00 262.00 524.00 786.00 1310.00
130 inch 65.50 132.00 264.00 528.00 792.00 1320.00
131 inch 66.00 133.00 266.00 532.00 798.00 1330.00
132 inch 66.50 134.00 268.00 536.00 804.00 1340.00
133 inch 67.00 135.00 270.00 540.00 810.00 1350.00
134 inch 67.50 136.00 272.00 544.00 816.00 1360.00
135 inch 68.00 137.00 274.00 548.00 822.00 1370.00
136 inch 68.50 138.00 276.00 552.00 828.00 1380.00
137 inch 69.00 139.00 278.00 556.00 834.00 1390.00
138 inch 69.50 140.00 280.00 560.00 840.00 1400.00
139 inch 70.00 141.00 282.00 564.00 846.00 1410.00
140 inch 70.50 142.00 284.00 568.00 852.00 1420.00
141 inch 71.00 143.00 286.00 572.00 858.00 1430.00
142 inch 71.50 144.00 288.00 576.00 864.00 1440.00
143 inch 72.00 145.00 290.00 580.00 870.00 1450.00
144 inch 72.50 146.00 292.00 584.00 876.00 1460.00
145 inch 73.00 147.00 294.00 588.00 882.00 1470.00
146 inch 73.50 148.00 296.00 592.00 888.00 1480.00
147 inch 74.00 149.00 298.00 596.00 894.00 1490.00
148 inch 74.50 150.00 300.00 600.00 900.00 1500.00
149 inch 75.00 151.00 302.00 604.00 906.00 1510.00
150 inch 75.50 152.00 304.00 608.00 912.00 1520.00
151 inch 76.00 153.00 306.00 612.00 918.00 1530.00
152 inch 76.50 154.00 308.00 616.00 924.00 1540.00
153 inch 77.00 155.00 310.00 620.00 930.00 1550.00
154 inch 77.50 156.00 312.00 624.00 936.00 1560.00
155 inch 78.00 157.00 314.00 628.00 942.00 1570.00
156 inch 78.50 158.00 316.00 632.00 948.00 1580.00
157 inch 79.00 159.00 318.00 636.00 954.00 1590.00
158 inch 79.50 160.00 320.00 640.00 960.00 1600.00
159 inch 80.00 161.00 322.00 644.00 966.00 1610.00
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161 inch 81.00 163.00 326.00 652.00 978.00 1630.00
162 inch 81.50 164.00 328.00 656.00 984.00 1640.00
163 inch 82.00 165.00 330.00 660.00 990.00 1650.00
164 inch 82.50 166.00 332.00 664.00 996.00 1660.00
165 inch 83.00 167.00 334.00 668.00 1002.00 1670.00
166 inch 83.50 168.00 336.00 672.00 1008.00 1680.00
167 inch 84.00 169.00 338.00 676.00 1014.00 1690.00
168 inch 84.50 170.00 340.00 680.00 1020.00 1700.00
169 inch 85.00 171.00 342.00 684.00 1026.00 1710.00
170 inch 85.50 172.00 344.00 688.00 1032.00 1720.00
171 inch 86.00 173.00 346.00 692.00 1038.00 1730.00
172 inch 86.50 174.00 348.00 696.00 1044.00 1740.00
173 inch 87.00 175.00 350.00 700.00 1050.00 1750.00
174 inch 87.50 176.00 352.00 704.00 1056.00 1760.00
175 inch 88.00 177.00 354.00 708.00 1062.00 1770.00
176 inch 88.50 178.00 356.00 712.00 1068.00 1780.00
177 inch 89.00 179.00 358.00 716.00 1074.00 1790.00
178 inch 89.50 180.00 360.00 720.00 1080.00 1800.00
179 inch 90.00 181.00 362.00 724.00 1086.00 1810.00
180 inch 90.50 182.00 364.00 728.00 1092.00 1820.00
181 inch 91.00 183.00 366.00 732.00 1098.00 1830.00
182 inch 91.50 184.00 368.00 736.00 1104.00 1840.00
183 inch 92.00 185.00 370.00 740.00 1110.00 1850.00
184 inch 92.50 186.00 372.00 744.00 1116.00 1860.00
185 inch 93.00 187.00 374.00 748.00 1122.00 1870.00
186 inch 93.50 188.00 376.00 752.00 1128.00 1880.00
187 inch 94.00 189.00 378.00 756.00 1134.00 1890.00
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193 inch 97.00 195.00 390.00 780.00 1170.00 1950.00
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210 inch 105.00 211.00 422.00 844.00 1266.00 2110.00
211 inch 105.50 212.00 424.00 848.00 1272.00 2120.00
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216 inch 108.00 217.00 434.00 868.00 1302.00 2170.00
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219 inch 109.50 220.00 440.00 880.00 1320.00 2200.00
220 inch 110.00 221.00 442.00 884.00 1326.00 2210.00
221 inch 110.50 222.00 444.00 888.00 1332.00 2220.00
222 inch 111.00 223.00 446.00 892.00 1338.00 2230.00
223 inch 111.50 224.00 448.00 896.00 1344.00 2240.00
224 inch 112.00 225.00 450.00 900.00 1350.00 2250.00
225 inch 112.50 226.00 452.00 904.00 1356.00 2260.00
226 inch 113.00 227.00 454.00 908.00 1362.00 2270.00
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237 inch 118.50 238.00 476.00 952.00 1428.00 2380.00
238 inch 119.00 239.00 478.00 956.00 1434.00 2390.00
239 inch 119.50 240.00 480.00 960.00 1440.00 2400.00
240 inch 120.00 241.00 482.00 964.00 1446.00 2410.00
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THE FREE HOMESTEAD.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1868.

Republican County Convention.

There will be a Republican County Convention held at Blue Earth City, on the 24th day of May, A. D. 1868, at one o'clock P. M., to choose Delegates to attend the Republican State Convention, to be held at St. Paul, on Wednesday, the 12th day of May.

Each town is entitled to one Delegate for every 20 (and for every fraction of ten or more) Republican votes cast for Governor at the General Election held in Nov., 1867, as follows to-wit:

Barber	1
Blom	1
Pilot Grove	1
Post	1
Brush Creek	1
Wendell	1
Blue Earth City	1
St. Paul	1
Winnebago City	1

ALLEN SHULTIS,

Chairman County Committee.

Republican Caucus.

The Republican Electors of the town of Winnebago City, Minn., are requested to meet in Caucus, in Moulton's Hall, Thursday, the 20th of April, 1868, at 7 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of choosing delegates to the County Convention, to be held in Blue Earth City on Saturday, the 24th day of May, 1868.

By order of Committee.
E. A. HOTCHKISS, Chairman,
JAMES CHAYS,
J. H. WELCH.
Winnebago City, April 29th, 1868.

Prime Lumber for sale at the Hardware in Winnebago City. 2w

We would respectfully invite the attention of all lovers of good flour to the advertisement of G. W. Marsh, of Shelbyville, Minn.

It should be distinctly understood that Sargent pays the highest market price for green Hides and Furs, at his store in Winnebago City. hatf

FOR SALE.—Six acres of timber land situated three miles south of Winnebago City—\$40 per acre. Inquire of Wallace at the Hardware in Winnebago City.

As will be seen by the advertisement, Miss Inez Goodnow has opened a new Millinery Shop in Winnebago City, and is offering an entirely new stock of goods cheap.

SEED CORN.—Fifty Bushels of Prime Seed Corn for sale at One Dollar and Fifty Cents a Bushel, three miles North of Winnebago City, by C. VAN NICK.

SAFE.—It is safe to say that no better Salubrity can be made than D. B. McLand's & Co.'s Best Chemical. Besides it is full weight, and that is more than can be said of other Salubrities.

Dentist Pierce has been so crowded with work here, that he finds it necessary to remain in Winnebago a few days longer.

He will stop two or three days in Shelbyville, when he leaves here.

Improvements everywhere! Fagan & Loutzenhizer having just completed their new Wagon and Blacksmith shop, are feeling finely, and are in readiness to do all kinds of work in their line.

Give them a call, and see how their work looks.

Advertisement on another column.

Those of our subscribers, and all others having dealing in commission stock, are referred to the advertisement of Josiah Carpenter, General Commission Merchant, at 442, 444 and 446 Washington St., New York City.

Being acquainted with the business location and status of Josiah Carpenter, we have no hesitation in saying to our subscribers that he will at all times be found worthy.

A very beautiful steel engraving—"Marguerite Going to Church"—with Faust and Mephistopheles in the background—leads off the May number of the *Lady's Friend*. This charming engraving of itself many will consider worth the price of the number. Then there is a magnificent colored steel Fashion plate, which all ladies will admire. "Summer Time," another engraving, makes one wish that the summer days were here. The music for this month is called the "Belles of Georgia Waltz." Then there are numerous engravings of the Fashions. Address Deacon and Peterson, 319 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. Sample copies, 15 cents.

Impeachment.

The latest dispatches from Washington concerning Impeachment, are as follows:

April 24.—At the opening of the court Chief Justice Chase stated that the first business was orders offered for consideration yesterday by Mr. Grimes that the hour for the meeting of the Senate should be twelve o'clock. The order was adopted, 21 against 18.

Mr. Edmunds offered an order to admit official reporters to report the speeches on the final deliberation of the Senate. Objected to by Mr. Sumner and went over under the rule.

Mr. Nelson resumed his speech, and concluded his argument in support of the proposition that no offenses are impeachable except those which were deemed crimes and misdemeanors by the common law at the time the constitution was framed.

NEW MILLINER SHOP.

MISS Inez Goodnow wishes to inform the Ladies of Winnebago City and vicinity, that she has just received a new and varied stock of Millinery goods, which she will sell cheap to those wishing to buy. Call and examine her goods at Farley's Building, first door north of Drug Store.

All styles of dress and cloak patterns kept constantly on hand.

Particular attention given to bleaching and pressing bonnets and hats.

255w2 April 23d, 1868.

New Wagon and Blacksmith Shop.

THE subscribers have opened a shop on Blue Earth Avenue, where they can be found every day, ready to do any jobs of wood or iron work. Particular attention given to repairing and horse shoeing.

A fair share of patronage is all we ask, and we will endeavor to give satisfaction.

255w1 Fagan & Loutzenhizer.

Attention Farmers!

MARSH'S new Mill at Shelbyville is now running for

ONE TENTH TOLL.

No. 1 Flour \$4.00 per hundred. Satisfaction guaranteed.

G. W. MARSH, Proprietor.

Shelbyville, April 17th, 1868. 254w4

U. S. Land Office.

Winnebago City, Minn., April 27th, 1868.

To Henry Komrar.

Anna Engstrom has this day applied for the south east quarter of section 2, township 101 north, range 23 west: it being the land you filed on. You are hereby notified to be and appear at this office on Saturday, the 29th day of May, 1868, at 9 a. m., for the purpose of giving the whole matter a fair and impartial investigation.

A. H. BULLIS, Register.

H. W. HOLLEY, Receiver.

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U. S. Land Office.

Winnebago City, Minn., April 27th, 1868.

To John W. Gilky.

Lynman D. Scovill has this day applied for the south east quarter of section 34, township 101 north, range 23 west: it being the land you filed on. You are hereby notified to be and appear at this office on Saturday, the 29th day of May, 1868, at 9 a. m., for the purpose of giving the whole matter a fair and impartial investigation.

A. H. BULLIS, Register.

H. W. HOLLEY, Receiver.

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U. S. Land Office.

Winnebago City, Minn., April 27th, 1868.

To John S. Hall.

Joseph B. Bunnell has this day applied for the south west quarter of section 24, township 101 north, range 23 west: it being the land you filed on. You are hereby notified to be and appear at this office on Friday, the 29th day of May, 1868, at 9 a. m., for the purpose of giving the whole matter a fair and impartial investigation.

A. H. BULLIS, Register.

H. W. HOLLEY, Receiver.

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U. S. Land Office.

Winnebago City, Minn., April 14th, 1868.

To Geo. A. Haskins.

Mr. Richard Gibbins has this day applied for the west half of section 8, township 102 north, range 29 west: it being the land you filed on. You are hereby notified to be and appear at this office on Monday, the 11th day of May, 1868, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of giving the whole matter a fair and impartial investigation.

A. H. BULLIS, Register.

H. W. HOLLEY, Receiver.

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BARGAINS

In Cloths,

Prints,

De Laines,

Sheetings,

Poplins,

Alpacas,

Cassimeres,

Denims,

Barred Muslin.

Hooped Skirts,

HATS and CAPS,

BOOTS & SHOES,

CROCKERY,

and Groceries of all kinds.

Winship & Goodwin

Have just received their

NEW GOODS,

and are offering them at prices

Vastly Reduced

from those which ruled last year.

No charge for showing goods.

256w1 Winnebago City, April 27th, 1868.

NEW FIRM.

New Goods.

WELCH AND WALLACE,

Dealers in

Stoves, Tin

AND SHEET IRON WARE,

FARMING IMPLEMENTS,

SHELF and HEAVY

HARDWARE.

SASH, GLASS and PUTTY.

Manufacturers of

EAVE, TROUGHS SPOUTING,

and all kinds of

TIN WARE.

A fine assortment of

Table and Pocket Cutlery.

Grind-Stones and Hahngins,

Breaking and Crossing

PLOWS,

Fence-Wire, &c., &c.

J. H. Welch, Wm. Wallace, Chas. Wallace.

April 7th, 1868. Winnebago City, Minn.

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DRUGS!

CONDIT & AUSTIN,

Mankato, Minn.,

DEALERS IN

DRUGS,

MEDICINES,

PAINTS, &c.

Stock always full, and customers

can at all times be furnished

with anything in the Drug line.

Front Street, 2d door above Record office.

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WAGON & BLACKSMITH

S H O P!

Good Material Constantly on Hand.

Wagons and Carriages Made to Order.

Blacksmithing, Shoeing, Repairing, &c., done on

Short Notice.

The undersigned still occupy the shop near

the Steam Mill, and would respectfully announce

that they are now prepared to manufacture both

ROD & MOLD-BOARD

Breaking Plows.

Having secured the services of FIRST CLASS

workmen, we are able to offer the best quality of

work, both Manufacturing and Repairing, Job-

bing, Horse & Ox Shoeing, &c. in the best man-

ner. Thankful for past favors, we would solicit

a continuance of the public patronage.

2501w1 WHEELER & RICH.

MEAT MARKET.

I would respectfully announce to the people of

Winnebago City and vicinity, that I have

opened a Meat Market in the second building

East of the Post Office, where I will at all times

keep on hand

Beef, Pork, Mutton, Fowls.

ALSO

Corn, Oats, Garden City Flour,

AND

CORN MEAL, FOR SALE.

All kinds of produce taken in exchange for meat.

F. M. PEIRCE,

Winnebago City, Jan. 8th, 1868. 219w1

CHARLES E. MAYO,

WHOLESALE DEALER IN

HARDWARE!

AGENTS FOR

FAIRBANKS SCALES!

ST. PAUL.

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WHOLESALE & RETAIL

Crockery Store!

MANKATO, MINN.

ALBERT S. WHITE, Proprietor.

Crockery, Glassware, Groceries, &c., for sale

by wholesale or retail. Country stores supplied

on reasonable terms. Rooms on Main Street

nearly opposite Bradley & Bro.

Navy, and Fine cut Tobacco of the best brands

always on hand at

WILSON'S.

250w1

Winnebago City, April 27th, 1868.

NEW SPRING GOODS!

GO TO

Moulton and Deudon's

FOR YOUR

Dry Goods, Groceries, Clothing,

Hats, Caps,

Boots, Shoes,

Fancy and Staple

Goods.

They always keep a large stock of superior

goods—selected with great care—and having

just received a new assortment of

Prints, Delains, Sheetings,

Merinos,

and other dress goods, in addition to a large

cases of

BOOTS & SHOES,

would respectfully solicit the attention of the

public.

They also have on hand a big stock of

HOOP SKIRTS,

from the "Odessa Skirt Company," which are

unsurpassed by any other. Hoop Skirt in use, as

regards Durability, Comfort and Style.

Also a large assortment of

Groceries, Pork, Hams,

BUTTER,

Lard, Wheat, Corn,

POTATOES,

Onions, Flour, Meal, &c., &c.

ALSO EVERY DESCRIPTION OF

Crockery, Glassware,

Looking glasses,

Lamps, Lanterns,

Machine and Kerosene

Oil, Sugar Buckets and

Boxes,

And in fact everything usually kept in a first-

class store.

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IMPORTANT DECISION.

After careful investigation by competent judges

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